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Beef war ends as Gummer yields on BSE

By MICHAEL HORNSBY IN BRUSSELS AND PHILIP WEBSTER

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many and Italy yesterday
unilateral demand by the West Britain's beef and cattle exmorts West Germany and lifted their bans on British beef, removing the threat of a trade war that had been hanging over the Community for the past week.

In return, Mr John Gummer, the Minister of Agriculture, reluctantly yielded to pressure for tougher health controls to reassure other member states that everything was being done to protect their consumers against any risk from the "mad cow" dis-ease that is killing 250 British cattle a week.

Mr Gummer said the outcome was much better than had seemed likely at one stage during 24 hours of negotiations by EC agriculture ministers, "We were faced with a series of quite impossible and quite outrageous proposals which had nothing to do with science and everything to do with the protection of other people's trading interests," he told a press conference.

The Irish Agriculture Min-ister, Mr Michael O'Kennedy, who stitched the compromi together in a series of bilateral meetings, said that if agree-ment had not been reached, we would have had a very serious crisis indeed".

The most serious restriction accepted by Mr Gummer was that all beef carcases exported to the rest of the EC must be certified as coming from herds free of bovine spongiform encephalopathy (BSE). Lest at home. November, he rejected as unscientific and illegal a West food spoi

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points ahead An opinion poll showing a significant growth in Labour's lead over the Conservatives since the publication of its

manifesto blueprint was pub-

hished last night. The Gallup poll in The Daily Telegraph gave Labour a 23.5 percentage point advantage over the Conservatives, compared with 15 points in a similar poll at the end of April. Parliament, page 7

Saunders denial

Ernest Saunders, the former Guinness chief executive, made his first courtroom denial that he took part in an illegal share support

NHS opposition Senior hospital consultants are increasingly opposed to government plans to reorga-nize the National Health Service, the British Medical Association says Page 5

Czechs vote As Czechs and Slovaks prepare to vote in their first free elections for 42 years, leading politicians have been linked with the secret police Page 10

Venice deal

A diplomatic deal is suspected over Britain's reluctance to show its hand over Venice's candidature as site for the world fair in 2000 Page 18

Coloroli jobs

Some 8,500 jobs were put at risk at Coloroll, the furnishings group, after its banks, which were owed £140 million, sent in receivers Page 25

Rain reigns

The New Zealand cricketers reached 171 for five at close on the rain-interrupted opening day of the first Cornhill

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Germans could not be compared to "an arrangement for

the whole Community".
About 91,000 tonnes of the exported to the rest of the EC last year consisted of bone-in 6,000 tonnes came from herds that had had a case of BSE. That meat could not now be exported to EC countries.

Britain also agreed to certify that all exports of boneless beef have been stripped of the offals and other tissues thought to harbour BSE, and that any live cattle exported to the EC are under six months old, at which age they are considered too young to have developed the disease. That requirement merely reinforces existing measures.

Mr Gummer had wanted the export ban limited to the carcases of animals born to infected cows, but yesterday he maintained that the agreement would "extend to our customers abroad some of the protection we give to our customers at home". Offal and nervous tissue prone to harbour the BSE agent is removed from beef for home consumption but not from carcases for export.

Mr Gummer could, however, face the accusation that foreigners are better protected than Britons because the latter are not guaranteed that their beef comes from BSE-free herds. The EC's precautionary res could reinforce demands for tougher measures

food spokesman, said in the Mezelas accepted yesterday that no case of BSE had been ment must be seen merely as a detected in France, but added: breathing space. Unless we "It remains the case that in countries where there is no full we are determined to eradicate BSE from our cattle berd, it is only a matter of time before we find ourselves in quarantine atain. He called on the Govern-

ment to arge the EC to establish a committee of medical experts to complement that of veterinarians to look into human aspects of BSE; introduce random sampling of routinely-slaughtered cows to judge the extent of the disease; cull all calves of infected cows; introduce tagging of cows and herd movement books to allow individual animals to be traced; and offer all bona-side scientists

facilities to study BSE. The eight days the ban was in force in France are estimated to have cost some £4 million in lost earnings,

ports. West Germany and Italy are much smaller marwould not have added greatly 112,000 tonnes of British beef to the overall cost. Conservative MPs last night called for compensation for British farmers. Mr Roger Knapman, MP for Stroud, said in the Commons the French and Germans should pay: "Or are

> but none of the obligations? The Meat and Livestock Commission was disappointed that controls had been imposed on beef that had been declared safe by the EC's top veterinary scientists, but the National Farmers' Union welcomed the agreement as avert-

all the privileges of free trade,

ing a damaging trade war.

M Henri Nallet, the French Agriculture Minister who imposed the ban May 30, said he was satisfied with the agreement. "There are no winners and losers. Only the Community spirit is the winner." Extra precautions had been necessary because BSE was an "ill-understood and very dangerous disease" that had caused widespread anxiety among continental farmers and near-panic among British

French officials yesterday said that no case had of BSE had yet been detected in the French cattle herd. They were responding to the claims of a Greek veterinary surgeon, Mr Georges Mezelas, who sug-gested in a report to the European Parhament that BSE existed in France but was Dr David Clark, Labour's not being reported. Mr compensation for the slaughter of infected animals, cases of the illness may go unreported. It cannot be as-

> the disease is absent' The European Commissioner for Agriculture, Mr Raymond MacSharry, said the Commission would investigate the processes used to manufacture animal protein for cattle feed. Such feed. containing the ground-up remains of scrapie-infected sheep, is thought to have caused the BSE outbreak in Britain. It is now banned in Britain, but only The Netherlands has introduced a similar restriction.

sumed that in such countries

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Major links date for ERM to inflation By PHILIP WEBSTER, CHIEF POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

MR JOHN Major yesterday membership of the ERM. In

mechanism when he confirmed that he would use the approximate rate of inflation" to determine when the conditions were right.

use the retail price index as his guide but something comtold MPs that a "good deal of retail price index." progress" had been made on a number of conditions for

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renewed speculation about remarks which Tory MPs early British entry into the regarded as the most positive European exchange-rate endorsement for entry, he said: "The balance of advantage is clearly to enter the ERM and, in due course, that is surely what we shall do."

Mr John Smith, the shadow The Chancellor of the Ex- Chancellor, asked Mr Major chequer said that he would not for a "direct answer" on how far inflation would have to fall. Mr Major replied: "It will parable to the measure on be assessed on the approxiwhich European nations as- mate rate of inflation which sessed inflation. Mr Major rheans it will not be on the

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Swindon relegated to third division

SWINDON Town were last night demoted to the third division, only 10 days after clinching first division football for the first time in the club's history, for making illegal payments to players. The decision by the Foothall League will have serious

ramifications for the West Country club at the end of a traumatic year. The announcement, which "dev-astated" Swindon officials, was made by Mr David Dent, the League secretary, after eight hours of inquiry by a three-man commission at Villa Park, Birmingham.

Mr Gary Herbert, the club chairman, pleaded guilty on behalf of Swindon to 35 of the 36 charges brought by the League of making irregular payments to eight specific players going back to 1985. In addition to being rele-

gated, Swindon were also ordered to pay compensation figures to six clubs deemed to have been affected by the illegal payments. Nine of the players concerned in the illegalities are currently with the club.

The league, in a mood to show little mercy, said one effect of the payments was to understate the players' earnings which in turn may have led the League appeals committee to award a depressed figure when assessing com-pensation to be paid when these players were transferred.

The appeals committee will meet to assess the further compensation Swindon have to pay to these clubs. Swindon directors were severely censored and reminded of their responsibil-

ities running a league club.

Thatcher unveils her new vision of Nato

By ROBIN OAKLEY AND MICHAEL EVANS

MRS Thatcher called yesterday for an historic recasting of a unified Germany. Since of the work of Nato from preventing war to building peace. She urged a more within the Soviet leadership Soviet Deputy Foreign Minpolitical role for the Alliance and the equipping of Nato to face threats from areas outside Europe, such as the Middle

The speech to Nato foreign ministers in Turnberry, Scotland, designed to set the agenda for next month's Nato summit in London, marked significant new benchmarks in her own approach to European security. She acknowledged that Nato no longer had a clear frontline; signalled her readiness for reductions in British forces stationed in Germany, and applauded publicly for the first time President Bush's decision to terminate work on the successor to the Lance ground-

launched missile. In another important development at Tumberry, Mr James Baker, the US Secretary of State, told the foreign ministers that Moscow had can reach an agreement with communist rule in Eastern

towards the crucial German question, he said. According to a senior US

official, Mr Eduard Shevardnadze, the Soviet Foreign Minister, told Mr Baker that he was "impressed" by the efforts being made by the West to find a formula on Germany that would meet Moscow's security interests. Although Moscow had not yet shifted from its position of opposing Nato membership for a united Germany, Mr Shevardnadze had given a clear impression that an agreement was now much more likely. In Moscow, meanwhile, at

the end of a one-day meeting of Warsaw Pact members, President Gorbachov yes-terday signalled the end of the Pact in its present form by offering "radical reforms" and proposing joint Nato-Warsaw Pact bodies to set the seal on the end of the Cold War suddenly become convinced it following the disintegration of

Big New York oil spill from British tanker

From Susan Ellicott in New York

THE New York Coast Guard third big oil spill in the closed a busy channel of water channel this year. yesterday off Manhattan after a British-registered tanker ran aground in the narrow waterway, spilling about 260,000 gallons of heavy fuel oil near the route taken by the Staten Island ferry.

The 811ft Nautilus was heading to a terminal at to deal with the accident. Bayonne, New Jersey, when the accident occurred after heavy rain in the Kill Van Kull strip of water leading to the port of Newark. It was the 1.2 million capacity.

Rescue teams blocked the tanker's leak and towed it into dock. The Coast Guard put floating booms round the two main pools of oil and scattered fuel-absorbing chemicals. The Coast Guard summoned a

The ranker, owned by the London-based Nautilus Motor Tanker Co, was carrying 350,000 gallons, well below its

specialist unit from Alabama

more money and more staff for weeks. And the fairer-sex partners of football supporters frustrated in their plans to savour Italy's feast of culture could

> transport workers are to strike today and tomorrow and next weekend. Railway strikes have been banned by a special emergency law, but there remains a

> The latest group to get in on the World Cup publicity act is the tobacconists' association, which is threatening to close shops on three days in the next formight. How will chain-smoking managers get through their matches?

De Klerk calls off emergency and frees prisoners

From GAVIN BELL IN JOHANNESBURG AND PHILIP JACOBSON IN PARIS

PRESIDENT de Klerk yester day announced the lifting of the four-year-old state of emergency in most of South Africa, and the release of 48 political prisoners to pave the way for negotiations on constitutional reforms.

In a speech to Parliament in Cape Town, Mr de Klerk made a stern appeal to the African National Congress to 'stop vacillating" and to state unequivocally where it stood on key issues. In particular, he called on Mr Nelson Mandela, the ANC deputy president, to explain his endorsement of organized violence against se lected targets. In Paris, Mr Mandela greeted Mr de Klerk's decision, but insisted that the West must continue to maintain economic sanctions against Pretoria.

"It represents a victory for the people of South Africa, white and black," he said at the end of an official lunch hosted by President Mitterrand in the Elysée Palace. However, Mr Mandela was critical of the decision to exclude Natal - which has been the scene of murderous conflict between rival black organizations — observing this "serves no useful purpose".

Mr de Klerk, in ending the state of emergency and releasing ANC members from jail addressed the organization's primary conditions for beginning negotiations on a postapartheid constitution. He did so despite a continuing high level of political violence, and a severe setback for the ruling National Party in a Natal by election which signalled substantial white opposition to his reform policies. The Nationalists retained the Umlazi constituency with a sharply reduced majority, but analysis said a similar voting trend in a general election would sweep the far-right Conservative Party to power.

The President said the reform process had been a bewildering and sometimes frightening experience for many people. But he said: "We cannot stop the world and get off as some people in South Africa would like."

The Government had striven to restore order to the point where the remaining vestiges of violence could be countered with ordinary laws. That point had now been reached, and so the state of emergency would be ended everywhere except Natal at midnight tonight.

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not doing anything for the next sixty seconds?

ister, said that nobody had

proposed that a united Ger-

many should belong to Nato,

In Turnberry, Mrs Thatcher

urged a revival of President

Kennedy's "declaration of interdependence" across the

To make East European

countries feel more secure and

to enable the Soviet Union to

come to terms with Nato's

continued existence, Mrs

Thatcher called for the dev-

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Italy's strikers make the most of the Cup

From OUR CORRESPONDENT IN ROME

ITALIANS pausing over their cappuccino to lament the lack of a striker to replace the legendary Paolo Rossi might today be casting a longing glance at their national museums for there, among the paintings and statuary that have enthralled international art lovers for

centuries, are strikers a-plenty. Not that Titian is about to fill that niggling gap alongside Vialli. Botticelli, Tintoretto and Raphael will not be boosting the national team as the World Cup gets underway today, for the strikers

in museums throughout Italy have just one goal in mind - more money. A suspicious soul, of course, might conclude that some workers are taking industrial action merely to watch the feast of world-class football. Not so - the

museum workers have been demanding

Now, however, with the eyes of the world on Italy, they are determined to of their grievances, all to the considerable consternation of President The President visited Florence yes-

terday to unveil the frescoes of Masolino and Masaccio in the Brancacci Chapel in the Church of Santa Maria del Carmine after nine years of restoration which has included the removal of leaves strategically added to Adam and Eve by earlier, more puritanical restorers.

Despite the best efforts of the Government to keep the museums open during the World Cup, when the gates of Milan's San Siro stadium open this afternoon for the tournament's opening game between Argentina and Cameroon, the doors of the Brera will be firmly shut.

seize the opportunity to make the most encounter difficulty if they decide instead to go shopping and find themselves short of lira. The banks, too, are threatening to close. Getting to the match might also be a little trickier than expected, since urban

threat of wildcat action.

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By JAMIE DETTMER

FAR-REACHING reforms of the community charge system will be needed to alleviate the problems local authorities face in collecting it, according to the Association of District Councils.

The rate of revenue collection by the 322 non-metropolitan districts in England and Wales is down by 25 per cent and some areas are experiencing a drop of up to a third, the association says. A straw poll of 100 Tory and Labour council treasurers at its annual meeting this week indicated that many authorities are becoming overwhelmed by the administrative difficulties in introducing the new system of local government

tions to the Government for major reforms of the whole community charge system," Mr Roy Thomason, the associ-ation's chairman, said. "Without these reforms there will be increasing collection problems. We want to make the community charge more equitable and

Several councils have turned to borrowing to make up the revenue shortfall, the association says. Others are digging in to reserves and losing interest Both moves are likely to push up poll tax demands in the next financial year.

Several London boroughs which have been capped said yesterday they were pleased with their rate of collection. challenging the capping process in the High Court, has collected £4.2 million so far. By this time under the old rating system it would have collected £6

"With the confusion in people's minds over the capping and the court case, we are quite pleased with the response," a "There are a lot of anecdotes about the

problems," Mr Mark Pilgrim, the director of finance at the Association of Metropolitan Authorities, said. "It is all very variable and the rates of collection and numbers paying are open to a number of interpretations."

Although about 25 per cent of people

Islington, which with 18 other councils is have so far have not paid their community charge in the metropolitan associations, the numbers obliged to contribute to local government finance have risen dramatically.

"A number of authorities just don't have a clear picture, as demands have gone out late because of computer breakdowns and other administrative problems. Also, a lot of people who have not paid so far may well be waiting for a response to rebate applications," Mr Pilgrim said.

Yesterday, Mr Barry Powell, chief revenue officer at Birmingham, said people should not read too much into the city's collection rate. Half the adults in the Birmingham have failed to pay the poll tax, but more than 200,000 are waiting for rebate applications to be processed or for questions to be answered. "You also have to remember that the Government adjusted the payment of central grants to cover early shortfalls," Mr Powell said. "We are getting grants much earlier this year."

 The High Court was urged yesterday to "restore the proper constitutional balance" between central and local government by overturning the decision by Mr Chris Patten, Secretary of State for the Environment, to charge-cap 21 local

Mr Alan Newman QC, representing Derbyshire County Council, said the Government's avowed aim in introduc-

local accountability of councils. Mr Patten had used his powers to "hack to ribbons" the budgets of the capped councils. It was "a calculated policy of administrative chaos".

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Mr Newman's submission came on the third day of an application by 19 capped authorities seeking a judicial review of Mr Patten's use of the 1988 Local Government Finance Act to impose spending curbs. Mr John Laws, representing Mr Patten, said the High Court was being asked to decide government policy. He said Mr. Patten had acted lawfully to protect charge-payers and reduce local authority expenditure,

The hearing continues today.

Airline rebuts MPs' claim that planes are unsafe

By HARVEY ELLIOTT, AIR CORRESPONDENT

night rejected allegations from Labour MPs that they were allowing them to fly on air-craft which had not been

properly maintained. Twenty-seven MPs, led by Mr Dennis Skinner, Mr Tony Benn and Mr David Nellist, had tabled a motion alleging "the connivance of the Civil Aviation Authority with Britcraft to fly in an unsafe condition because of nonregular personnel signing ap-

As Sir Geoffrey Howe, Leader of the House, responded to questions about next week's business Mr Skinner brandished a long list of defects in aircraft which, he claimed, had been ignored since the strike by 7,000 engineering workers at Heath-row over 12-hour shifts began a week ago.

Afterwards Mr Skinner said: "You cannot have 7,000 engineers and their assistants on strike and their jobs done by a handful of management. Some of these people have never been on strike before but they are now genuinely worried about safety and fear that something awful is going to happen before BA pulls off its threat and gets back to

Last night, British Airways dismissed the allegations as Maintenance was carried

out in full compliance with the strict laws governing aircraft safety, it said, and if any engineer signed an aircraft as fit to fly when it was not he would not only be putting his job at risk but could also face criminal prosecution. "We are maintaining our aircraft to our own extremely high standards and are regularly inspected by the CAA," the airline said. The Civil Aviation Au-

vices from April next year. Mr

Peter Griffiths, deputy chief executive of the National

Health Service told health

Although health authorities

will not have to produce

detailed price costings or

sophisticated contracts when

reforms are implemented,

they will be expected to have

service managers yesterday.

BRITISH Airways and the thority said that it had drafted Civil Aviation Authority last in two more surveyors, highly qualified senior engineers who are used to check on airline engineers, to boost the 12 who "playing a dangerous game" engineers, to boost the 12 who with passengers' lives by normally work at Heathrow. "We are satisfied checks are being carried out correctly,"

the authority said. Many of the maintenance problems referred to by Mr Skinner and Mr Nellist were minor technical ones which occur regularly on all flights, are logged and either put right ish Airways in allowing air- or given special dispensations to enable the aircraft to continue to fly.

As pilots approach Heathprovals and certificates after row they radio ahead with repair and maintenance". row they radio ahead with details of any technical problems they may have en-countered during the flight so that the engineers on the ground can have any spares standing by for instant attention. The striking engineers had been listening in to these reports and made them available to the MPs.

British Airways has its own Despatch Deviation Manual which lists all the defects which are technically and legally permissible to be carried on aircraft in safety. Normally an engineer can sign off an aircraft with such a defect automatically but 18 months ago the company decided, unprompted by any safety body, to cut such allowable defects to the minimum and ordered that any defect had first to be given a dispensation from a senior engineer. Before the aircraft told of the defect and must be happy to fly with it.

One such defect, which affected a Boeing 747 last Sunday, involved a reported problem in the fire detection loop around an engine. Senior Flight Engineer Roger Stafford gave a dispensation to enable the aircraft to continue in service until the problem could be solved.

"We are expecting every con-

tract to stipulate something

about how the service is to be

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ing waiting times for out-

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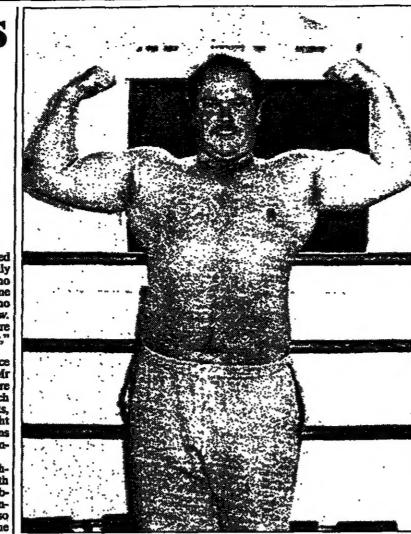
reducing the time patients had

These could include reduc-

and months of the reforms."

years time, but how it is to be

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Mr Bruce Newlands pictured before (left) and after a sudden illness which caused him to lose 41/2 stone and which he believes was caused by a body-building food supplement he took. The 24-year-old weight-lifter, who became unable to walk, can still not straighten his arms or flex

Millions

lost in

EC food

frauds

By SHEILA GUNN

POLITICAL REPORTER

LOSSES of millions of pounds

through the theft, fraud or mishandling of European

Community surplus food stocks held in Britain have

been uncovered by the Gov-

ernment's public spending

The National Audit Office

said fraud and irregularities

could be far greater than

detected. Its investigation sup-

ports the findings of the

uxembourg-based Court of

Auditors and the House of

Lords EC committee, which

said EC fraud in agriculture

support payments, some of which might find their way to

the Mafia and IRA, could total £6 billion a year.

improvements at the interven-

tion board to make the han-

dling of EC funds and food

stocks more efficient. It said:

"In the last nine years the

intervention board has re-

ported 110 cases of irregularity, of which 100 have been valued at a total of £3.6 million. In 64 cases the full

amounts totalling £1.48 mil-

lion have been recovered from

The cases involved external

trade, beef and sheep pro-

miums, milk, peas, beans and

lupins. The audit office found

that theft, and losses in stocks

through bed storage con-ditions, cost the Treasury

£5.74 million in lost revenue

The report criticizes the

board for slowness in record-

between 1980 and 1987.

The audit office called for

his joints. He collapsed after taking capsules bought at a health food shop for 3½ months.

Dr Kenneth Simpson, who is treating the postman from Guildford, Surrey, believes the capsules were to blame and has written to the Government ask-

run the prosecution's expert normally used by the IRA,

Sir John, a former Court of Hayes said he found the Appeal judge, is nearing the end of the third week of public How does it come about

during their 1976 trial, had the

experts let them know the

orensic details, Sir John May

hearings in his inquiry into the cases of the Guildford Four

and the Maguires, a north London Irish family jailed for

up to 15 years on charges of

possessing nitro-glycerine. He made his remark to Dr

Thomas Hayes, a scientific officer at the Royal Armament

Research and Development

Establishment (RARDE),

Woolwich, where swabs taken

from the Maguires' hands

Dr Hayes had been exam-

ined for two days last week but

was asked to return after

previously unpublished note-books from the RARDE were

read to the inquiry on Tues-day. Those disclosed new

aspects of the forensic inquiry

that had not been mentioned

either at the original trial or

before Sir John and suggested

discrepancies in the evidence

at the trial and the present

One was a second test run at

RARDE on the samples taken

from the Maguires' hands.

Most of the first tests run on 4 December 1974 had been

reported as showing a positive

reaction indicating nitro-glyc-

erine contamination. That

was the sole evidence against

the accused and at the trial it was said only one test had

The new documents show that Mr Walter Elliott, a scientific officer at RARDE,

were tested.

inquiry.

been rum.

said yesterday.

Scientist in clash over

second Maguire test

DEFENCE lawyers for the elements found in the form of from anything else. At the

Magnire family could have the nitro-glycerine Frangex, inquiry last week Dr Hayes

That, Mr David Clarke, QC, counsel for the inquiry, told

Dr Hayes "could be thought of as a confirmatory test" that had negated the first one. Dr

How does it come about

that that test was done and yet

not mentioned at the trial, Mr

Clarke asked. Dr Hayes: "I

cannot answer why it was

Asked by Sir John about

notes on another case handled

by Dr Hayes at RARDE,

which claimed to show nitro-

glycerine present on samples

though the test results were

well outside limits, Dr Hayes

said that when things were

used for a prosecution that was to him a "very weighty consideration". Sir John asked: "Did it ever occur to

you to put even the slightest

proviso of doubt?" "Apper-

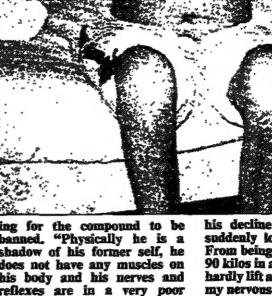
ently not, sir," Dr Hayes

Dr Hayes was asked about

tests he had run to distinguish

between nitro-glycerine and a closely related explosive,

PETN. In the type of test at first run on the Magnire hand swabs both would give the same result. At the trial it was



out consideration of PETN

when dealing with IRA bombs

Dr Hayes, the new docu-

ments show, ran a test to distinguish nitro-glycerine

and PETN on debris collected

from the Horse and Groom

public house in Guildford in

October 1974, one of the

bombings that led eventually

to the Maguire case. Why, asked Mr Anthony Arlidge

QC for the Maguire family, had he done that? "To help the

case officer," Dr Hayes said.

Hayes that not disclosing to

the original trial the existence

of a separate second test to

glycerine and PETN "really

was, to use the modern phrase.

economical with the truth".

"In the way the term is normally applied I have to

disagree with you," Dr Hayes

Sir John May said: "If the

defence had known about

PETN I am sure you will appreciate it could have been

possible to examine you into

the ground."

Mr Clarke put it to Dr

main charge."

banned. "Physically he is a shadow of his former self, he his body and his nerves and reflexes are in a very poor state," he said. Mr Newlands. who refused to take steroids, believing them dangerous, said

his decline was terrifying. "I suddenly lost all my strength. From being able to easily pump 90 kilos in a gym I found I could hardly lift an orange. It attacked my nervous system, my immune

system, my lungs, heart, liver and kidneys." He is only now learning to walk again.

Patten warns 'too political'

CHARITABLE organiz with memberships larger than the main political parties should not become too political, Mr Chris Patten, Secretary of State for the Environment, said last night.

Charities like Friends of the Earth, Greenpeace and the National Trust had millions of supporters while the Conservative Party had a membership of less than a million.

ment cannot ignore these changes, nor should a democratic government want to do so. The environmental pongovernmental organizations leserve much of the credit for heightened public awareness of the issues. What was not long ago widely regarded as a minority interest of on the whole well-meaning cranks is today the stuff of international conferences in six-star hotels."
Some, though, were inclined to criticize government whatever it did. The knee-jerk reaction of some of

The Charity Commission's rules allowed such organizations considerable latitude. However, a narrowly-focused organization could become a lobby, not just to stop some things happening, but to stop anything happening at all," he

in public policy-making. It can cheapen public debate, and in the process of doing that it can undermine the very concerns which it holds dear."

charities

"Many charities have become effectively multi-million pound corporations which put the annual budgets of political parties in the shade." Mr Patten said in a lecture in London. The growth in membership of environmental groups was especially striking.

Mr Patten said: "Govern-

today's environmental groups for example is simply not justified."

"It can discredit rationality

"Conceivably so, yes," Dr Hayes responded. suggested for the prosecution that the test was adequate to The inquiry continues distinguish nitro-glycerine today.

Changing times: The new 5p coin (left) carries the same design as the existing coin (right) but will be smaller, with more pronouced milled edges. It will be issued on June 27, and the new 10p in June 1992

ing and collecting debts total-ling £64 million by July 1989, most of which had been outin fact ran a second test on December 10, the day before standing for over six months, charges were first laid against the Maguires. That was dis-closed yesterday as detailing National Audit Office — Intervention Board for Agricultural Produce: Management, accountnegative results on every sam-ple he studied. The tests included looking for trace

made visible progress in to wait to see a doctor once improving quality standards. they had arrived at hospital. Opposition rises, page 5 Speaking at the Institute of All Box No. Replies

Hospitals 'should

improve services'

By JILL SHERMAN, SOCIAL SERVICES CORRESPONDENT

ALL hospitals will be expected Health Services Manage-

to demonstrate significant ment's annual conference in improvements in patient ser- Torquay, Mr Griffiths said:

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Sandringham WI member calls for an encore By ALAN HAMILTON

IAM may be yesterday's image of the Women's Institutes, but certain things remain inviolable. As the Queen entered the Albert Hall yesterday to iddress their annual general meeting, 6,000 delegates gave rousing voice to "Jerusalem".

Befitting her position as head of state and a member of Sandringham WI of 42 years' standing, the Queen is a traditionalist. The second rendition of the movement's anthem during the day's proceedings was at her request. Her vivid peacock blue hat was one of only a handful exhibited at a gathering once famous for them. In its 75th

ar, the WI is moving determinedly into the 1990s armed with concerns well beyond those of domestic rural life. But, as the Queen reminded her audience, the movement was well to the van of social and environmental issues, even in its early days.

"In the 1920s, not long after the movement began, the Women's In-stitutes were already talking about oil pollution, about health services in rural areas, about adult education and how the voluntary movement could contribute." The Women's Institutes were renowned in all they did for their high standards and for their balance and common sense of their com-

ments. Despite their most distinguished member's praise of their efforts on behalf of rural life, yesterday's meeting looked much further afield, passing motions opposing the commercial development of Antarctica and urging a ban on the use of the hormone bovine somatotropin to enhance milk yield in cows. The latter, surprisingly, was seconded by a dairy farmer's wife from North Wales.

But even that was not enough for at least one speaker. The agony aunt Miss Claire Rayner urged the movement to become more militant on current issues, to carry their campaigning from the countryside

into the towns, to establish more bean population centres, and generally to make much more noise.

"I have in the past referred to the WI as a sleeping giant," Miss Rayner said. "The voices of a third of a million women should be enough to make any government minister stop in his tracks. I fear you don't raise that voice often enough.

Perhaps fortunately, the Queen was not present to hear Miss Rayner's call to arms whose muscles, she said, could become flabby from lack of use. Miss Rayner, incidentally, did not

Victim of IRA bomb dies

A woman who was seriously injured in an IRA car bombing in Belfast which killed her husband died in hospital yesterday. Mrs Ellen Sefton, aged 65,

suffered severe injuries in the blast on Tuesday which killed her husband James, a retired police reservist, instantly as they drove through the north the city along Ballygomartin Road.

Mr Sefton retired from the police three years ago. The IRA admitted it had planted the bomb - thought to consist of Semtex plastic explosive and wired to the underside of Mr Sefton's car.

Health and smoking

Negotiations to ban cigarette advertisements without health warnings must be concluded swiftly, the committee monitoring agreements on advertising and sponsorship said yesterday. The Government and the tobacco industry were told unless there was a end discussions, present agreements would be threatened.

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Visas dropped

People from Argentina and East Germany will be able to visit Britain without visas from today. The changes, which reflect improved links with both countries; were announced by Mr David Waddington, the Home

Theatre reprieve The King's Head Theatre, in Islington, north London, has won its appeal against a funding cut which would have led to its closure. Greater London Arts has restored the £28,000 it cut eight weeks ago, but said it was still "deeply

Driver returns

concerned about the make-up

Mr John Johnston, of Stoke on Trent, the driver of a British holiday coach which overturned on Sunday near Joigny, 80 miles from Paris, killing 11 people, returned to Britain by air ambulance yesterday with nine of the passengers who were badly injured in the accident.

Air accident job

Mr Kenneth Smart has been appointed the Chief Inspector of Air Accidents, the first aeronautical engineer, rather than a pilot, to be put in charge of finding the cause of aviation accidents in Britain. Mr Smart, takes over in-September from Mr Donald Cooper, who is retiring.

Custody advice

Lord Justice Butler-Sloss, Britain's senior female judge, said that warring parents should not expect courts to assume mothers are the best parent for children to live with. She was ruling in the Court of Appealafter a father had his appeal allowed in a contested custody case.

Back on course

William Hill the bookmakers reopened betting yesterday on the next Archbishop of Canterbury. Betting was suspended when suspicions arose over the large number of unexpect-ed wagers on the Right Rev John Taylor, Bishop of St Albans. He has moved from a 10-1 outsider to 6-4 favourite.

CORRECTIONS

In yesterday's report on the. Guinness trial at Southwark Crown Court, Mr Ernest. Saunders should have been quoted as saying that he was as aware generally of the legal issues (not illegal, as reported) involved in the Guinness takeover of Distillers as he was of the financial ones.

The Bohemian spa of Carlsbad is now called Karlovy Vary, not Marianske Lazne as stated yesterday, Marienbad is now called Marianske Lazne

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I paid no success fees to investors, Saunders insists

yesterday made his first courtoperation during his compaencouraged people to buy takeover.
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His counsel, Mr Richard Saunders said he had not been Ferguson, QC, asked: "Did sure they were in a position to you have anything to do with the arranging of share support for the Guinness shares?"

you mean did I have anything why are we wasting time to do with, or know about, talking about it? I had a most paying indemnities or success serious personal dilemma fees to people for buying about whether we should Guinness shares the answer is 'no'. If you are asking did I encourage people, institutions Distillers shares to Guinness, to take the opportunity to invest in Guinness shares because I thought they were a damn good buy, the answer is 'yes', because that was my

Mr Ferguson: "Did you have any discussions about share support in the sense that has been used by the prosecu-tion, ie, illegal?"

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Mr Saunders, Gerald Ronthe Companies Act during the 1986 battle with the supermarket group Argyll for

wark Crown Court how he lobbied Cabinet ministers and newspaper editors to try to for Distillers being referred to the Monopolies and Mergers Commission. He attended a party in Birdcage Walk on March 11, 1986, to celebrate Sir Gordon Reece's knight-

"Almost the entire Cabinet said. "I have never worked so hard for three hours in my life. I got round most of the Cabinet and all of the editors."

highly-placed contacts of such made to Mr Ward. people as Sir Gordon and Sir outsider, I did not have it was a war, fought on many establishment roots". Mr fronts and with many weapsaunders said he had considons". The Scottish firm retoday.

THE former Guinness chief ered pulling out of the opera-executive, Ernest Saunders, tion on February 19, when unusual manner. Not only did Guinness was told its bid room denial that he took part would not go to the comin an illegal share support mission provided it was reoperation during his compavised to show that some review of the Office of Fair vised to show that some ny's battle to take over the Distillers brands would be Distillers drinks group. But he sold immediately after the

At a meeting with Guin-ness's merchant banking and legal advisers that night, Mr continue. "This was a most emotive and traumatic evening. The advisers attitude Mr Saunders replied: "If was yippee, we can go ahead, proceed or take this opportunity to make an exit with dignity from this horrendous

> That provoked a furious argument. "I was told most squarely that to do this would destroy my credibility and that of the company. We would never be able to mount

■ I got round most of the Cabinet and all of the editors. I've never worked so hard 🗩

son, the chairman of Heron a takeover again. It would also International, the stockbroker damage the credibility of the Anthony Parnes and the advisers, which seemed to financier Sir Jack Lyons deny 24 counts alleging theft, false accounting and breaches of the Comment Antiquing the was full of congratulations and dismissed his chief executive's reservations.

Mr Saunders said that one Mr Saunders told South- of his concerns was dealing with the board of Distillers, which supported the Guinness takeover and was prepared to prevent Guinness's second bid pay the costs of the bid. "It was like dragging a tranquillized rhino around," he said. "I was constantly nagging them to keep up. He told one of the Guinness

directors, the American lawyer Mr Thomas Ward, that he would have to become more were present as well as most of closely involved if the bid the Fleet Street editors," he went ahead. Mr Ward said he was happy to do so, provided Guinness made it worth his while. They agreed they would Cabinet and all of the editors." go ahead and when Mr Ten days later, Guinness was Saunders telephoned Lord told that its revised bid would Iveagh to confirm it, the chairman showed no concern Mr Saunders enlisted the about any payments being

it was a war, fought on many cally not."

it challenge the legality of the merger agreement with Distill-Trading decision not to refer the bid to the monopolies commission. That was rejected by the Court of Appeal.

Mr Saunders accused Argyll of a "disgusting" advertising campaign that led Guinness to take legal action. He said he did not object to campaigns attacking him personally, but when Argyll sought to "rub-bish" Guinness's brands, he contacted the solicitor Sir David Napley in the hope that a letter from such a well-known figure would halt Argyll's activities. Mr Saunders said Guinness

adopted innovative tactics to get its case across, including a television commercial shown four times nightly, delivering a video of its presentation on the case to shareholding in-London taxis with posters.

He believed the deal swung Guinness's way when Norwich Union announced it would accept the Guinness offer. "This started the bandwagon. Institutions are like sheep and like to be seen on the winning side." Mr Saunders was asked to

explain a \$100m investment in July 1986 with the American arbitrageur Mr Ivan Boesky. He said the deal was proposed by Mr Ward. "At that time Boesky was considered the finest financial expert, not only in the USA but in the UK as well." Mr Saunders believed this was a good way of getting a toe-hold in the US market. By investing with Boesky, Guinness might could ultimately take over.

Mr Saunders met Boesky once for 30 minutes and was impressed by him, "but I should say now that if I knew then what I know now I would have had nothing to do with Mr Justice Henry later told the jury that Mr Boesky had been arrested in America in November 1986 and had "fallen from grace". Mr Saunders said: "I was horrified. It was the worst possible thing we could have done."

Mr Saunders said he was questioned by Guinness directors that December about whether there was any link between Mr Boesky's arrest Mr Saunders said the fight and Guinness's investment in Jack Lyons because "I was an with Argyll "was not a battle, his fund. "I replied categori-



Former chaplain jailed for sex game

By KERRY GILL

A FORMER Church of Scotland minister was jailed for 18 months yesterday after admitting 10 charges involving sexual offences against eight girls between the ages of 10 and 12.

Gordon Haggarty, aged 49, who left the church when the offences came to light, was said to have betrayed his trust as a minister. The High Court in Edinburgh heard bow Haggarty, who was ordained in 1971, had tied up girls, pretending it was part of a game involving kidnapping and rescue, and had photographed them in indecent poses over a period lasting from 1978 until 1987.

Mr Hugh Matthews, advocate depute, for the pro-secution, said Haggarty met the girls through a number of sources, including his church in Aberdeen. He said the and indecent. The idea was that the children would act out a story of kidnapping and The hearing continues rescue for eventual publication in a church magazine.

Child victims suffer in 'near-perfect crimes'

By STEWART TENDLER, CRIME CORRESPONDENT

PAEDOPHILIA verges on the leads Scotland Yard's growing perfect crime, with silent vic-tims, few witnesses and persistent offenders who believe they are doing little harm, a national police conference was told yesterday.

An astronomic number of children may be at risk as police discover paedophilia could be far more extensive than they had believed. Yet little or nothing was being done either to protect children to treat offenders.

The potential dimensions of the crime were described at the conference in Torquay of the Association of Chief Police Officers by Com-mander Richard Monk, who

child abuse scandal have been

learnt and it is now less likely

that a similar situation could

arise again, Mrs Virginia

Bottomley, the health min-

Commenting on a new re-

port on child protection in Cleveland, she said: "We are impressed with the progress Cleveland has made. Out of

the misery of the past three years we have learnt the

required lessons and they have

been acted upon. Arrange-

ments to properly protect children and their respective

parents are working well,

thanks to a greater co-opera-

The department took the

unprecedented step of order-

ing a second inquiry into child

protection work in the area, after the first Social Services

tion from all agencies."

ister, said yesterday.

Cleveland lessons

'have been learnt'

By RUTH GLEDHILL

THE lessons of the Cleveland identified a number of weak-

drive against paedophilia. The Yard's intelligence files now hold details of 3,000 convicted offenders, their associates and

Mr Monk said paedophi-liacs were "evil like Hitler because they actually believe what they do is right. And because they are right and we are wrong they ignore con-ventional punishment, cover their tracks well and go on offending. The scale of offending is enormous."

They were far and away the largest group of re-offenders in Mr Monk said he had listened

nesses in services, particularly

in collaboration between

agencies. The first inspection

followed the Lord Justice

Butler-Sloss inquiry, which

took place after 120 children

were taken into care between

February and July 1987 as

Mrs Bottomley said the latest report, published yes-

terday, showed that col-laboration between social

services and the police had

improved, with parents also

playing a greater role. She urged other authorities to

study the report and incor-

porate many of the working

practices that Cleveland has

Mr Bob Pitt, the Cleveland

social services committee chairman, said the report

"was very good news for all

already set in progress.

alleged child abuse victims.

who had abused 200 children in two years. In other cases babies of six months had been He described a video of a girl aged nine. The camera

focused on the child's face as she waited fearfully to be abused. Mr Monk said he was not talking of a man in a shabby mac lurking behind bushes in a park. He was describing the man who targets his victim over days, weeks, months and even a year. One man courted and married a single mother to abuse her children. The typical paedophile, Mr Monk said, was often white, middle aged ngle, without convictions and perhaps linked to an organization dealing with young people. Sometimes the offenders were wealthy, high-

tion into paedophilacs acting as bogns social workers did not fit the normal pattern, which was usually covert. The think of medieval punishments. Offenders needed treatment but there was almost none available.

Mr Monk also looked at the

Now it is 14 to 17.
Sir Stanley Bailey, chief constable of Northumbria,

ranking or influential. Few women were involved, Mr Monk said. The investiga-

problems of juvenile crime. He said that the peak age for all offenders was 15 but there was evidence that that may be dropping. At one stage gangs involved in street robbery were aged between 16 and 19.

said that there was evidence that offenders on bail can go out and commit more offences while they wait to be tried. A group of four juveniles who burgled houses and stole from cars committed 56 crimes and were arrested on 20 separate occasions before they were finally tried six months after

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Big rise in reported crimes predicted

THE increase in reported crime in Britain this year compared with last year may be the biggest rise between consecutive years since 1945, if the early trend continues, top police officers were told yesterday (Stewart Tendler writes).

The possibility of substantial double figures for 1990 was raised by Mr Paul Condon, chief constable of Kent, at the conference of the Association of Chief Police Officers. The tentative prediccommunity expectations and the police. Mr Condon said that police would be blamed for any rise. The respon-sibility of other agencies and the public might be ignored. "If it turns out to be the worst year since the war for a percentage increase in reported crime, there will be only one door to knock on, to blame, and that will be the

His prediction was based on figures for the South-cast. He said six forces in the area, including his own, had seen a 20 per cent increase in reported crime for the first three months of 1990 against the same period of 1989. Reported burglaries had increased by 30 per cent. It was a paradox that these rises had taken place when police had put more effort into community policing programmes, crime prevention and neighbourhood watches.

Home Office figures for the first quarter across England and Wales are not expected until the end of the month. Forces have reported varying increases, with the West Midlands showing an increase of 15 per cent while North Wales showed a rise of only 0.5 per CENL

The rises are being attributed to a large number of reasons. Police are talking about an increase in car crime and speculating there may be more petty crime by drug abusers to buy drugs. The warm winter may have encouraged more crime as householders grew careless leaving open windows.

Figures for reported crime have been stable for recent years after a large increase at the beginning of the decade. • Mr David Waddington, the Home Secretary, told the conference that attacks on the police were being played upon eagerly by mischief-makers but some concern was understandable and some criticism

should be heeded.

It would have been strange if there had not been concern after the sensational release of the Guildford Four and the disbandment of the West Midlands Serious Crimes Squad, he said. What he found hard to accept was the lack of attention paid to the difficulties and dangers faced by police.

Dishonest | lawyers bring levy to London

By FRANCES GIBB LEGAL AFFAIRS CORRESPONDENT

A LEVY of £295 to meet claims arising from the work of dishonest solicitors is to be imposed on all members of the profession in England and Wales who handle clients' A Law Council meeting

yesterday endorsed the compulsory special levy in the face of a rise of more than 100 per cent in the value of claims lodged with the the Law Society's compensation fund last year. Claims received last year totalled £14.6 million, against £6.7 million the year The society estimates that

between now and the end of 1991, claims will cost the profession nearly £27 million. The special levy will affect all partners and sole practitioners, making up 28,000 of the 55,000 practising solicitors in England and Wales.

A report to the council showed that last year the number of defaults by solicitors' firms rose by more than 30 per cent to 64, of which 62 were sole practitioners. In 1988, 49 firms defaulted, 46 of them sole practitioners.

The huge rise in claims, although partly accounted for by six "extraordinary defaulters", is certain to fuel demands within the profession for tighter controls on sole practitioners. The last time a sharp rise in claims prompted a levy was in 1988 when solicitors were asked to pay £515. The annual contribution was then increased from £60 to £100.

Since then there has been a steady rise in the number and size of claims. In 1988 there were 577 claims, valued at

 The Law Society is to open an office in Brussels, the society council agreed yesterday. It will be the first time a British legal profession has set up formal representation there and is "a recognition of the growing importance of the European Community's decision-making powers".

Restoring vision

By CLIFFORD LONGLEY RELIGIOUS AFFAIRS EDITOR

A JOINT church campaign which aims at restoring a sense of vision and identity to London was launched at St Paul's Cathedral last night. A declaration also deplored the pitifully inadequate" living conditions of many of the capital's citizens.

The declaration was signed by Cardinal Basil Hume of Westminster, the Bishop of London, Dr Graham Leonard, other Anglican and Roman Catholic leaders, and leading churchmen from Free Church and black-led Christian denominations in London.

The campaign arose from meetings between the 14 signatories over the last year, which prompted them to try 10 "seek a fresh vision for our city". An ecumenical service was held to mark the commitment of the various denominations to work together. the forthcoming "decade of evangelism".

Judged by church attenleast religious cities in Europe, and the joint declaration who has a studio in Balham



Annabel Cullen with her selfportrait, which has won the BP Portrait Award for 1990, the first year of BP's sponsorship of the National Portrait Gallery's 11-year-old competition. particularly in the context of Miss Cullen, aged 36, won at her third attempt (Simon Tait writes). "It's a self-portrait because it's much cheaper to dance, London is one of the paint yourself than to hire a least religious cities in Europe, sitter," she said. Miss Cullen, emphasized that "spiritual and works part-time as a pubpoverty frequently co-exists with material affluence. Christians were urged to help increased from last year's to build the city of God in 28,000, will enable her to paint fulltime. The actor Tom Conti

presented the prizes. One judging innovation introduced this year is that the photo-graphs of the sitters, in the past shown alongside the portraits, are no longer there. "A number of artists complained that it was misleading to ask people to compare two media." said Mr John Hayes, director of the National Portrait Gallery. "We felt they had a valid point and have dropped it."
The second prize of £4,000 went to Martin Churchill for a portrait of Maria Chevska. Third prize and £2,000 went to Philip Harris for another selfportrait

Inspectorate report in 1988 the people of Cleveland". Jail ban call for under-15s

By QUENTIN COWDRY, HOME AFFAIRS CORRESPONDENT PENAL reformers believe and Resettlement of Offend- olent offences. The Howard

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Government into proposing a barred from imprisoning all ban on imprisonment for boys juveniles, including those conaged under 15 when ministers victed of the gravest offences, draft a criminal justice reform They say time in prison, They say time in prison, however brief, is only likely to Faced by criticism that Brit-harden delinquent youths and ain's use of custody for ju-make them more likely to re-The Howard League yes-

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tion that they are extending are sent each year to young sex discrimination in sentenc-

custodial sentences for children. It includes the case of a youth, Stephen, who was jailed for eight weeks at the age of 14 years 4 months for threatening a woman with a knife. The offence, committed on his 14th birthday, was his first and, according to social reports, had occurred shortly after three members of his immediate family had died. In 1988, the last year for

which figures are available, 25 Just under 300 boys aged 14 girls aged 15 were jailed, 24 aged 16 and 109 aged 17. More than 3,000 boys aged 14 to 16 ing policy. Such groups as the the Home Office's prison and 4,100 young men aged 17 Howard League and the National Association for the Care department. Of those, only 16 were given custodial per cent have committed viscentences.

Jail for 'mad hacker' who broke into college systems from home Mary College in London and one ment of Trade and Industry's ous and to fail British Standards problems might centre on cheap

who broke into university systems damage two weeks ago. He is the and destroyed vast amounts of first computer hacker to be jailed in material was yesterday jailed for four months. Nicholas Whiteley, now aged 21, called himself "the mad backer" and waged his sixmonth war in 1988 from a home computer in his bedroom.

The part-time computer consultant with the London Opera Company added and deleted information on systems at universities in London, Bath and Hull. His activities caused damage estimated at £25,000, Southwark Crown Court was told during a three-week trial.

Whiteley, of Ascot Gardens, Enfied, north London, was con- computer disks, two at Queen

A TEENAGE computer hacker victed of four charges of criminal Jailing him for a year, with eight

months suspended, Judge Rivlin, OC, said Whiteley gained "considerable pleasure at the time, both in participation and carrying out these matters and it led to much boasting". The judge told Whiteley: "You were then in the process of starting your own computer magazine Outer Limits and I have no doubt that you thought this would help and promote your magazine."

Whiteley was found guilty of four counts of criminal damage to

each at Bath and Hull universities He was cleared of three other

charges of criminal damage and six others were dropped before and during the trial. He was also cleared of criminal damage to computer

Judge Rivlin refused prosecution requests to recover £28,000 costs and to confiscate Whiteley's home computer as a "weapon". After the case, Whiteley's former manager at the London Opera Company, Mr Jonathan Balkind, said he would take him back.

• A random survey by independent computer consultants is being studied by officials at the Depart-

computer makes carry faults that are potentially "dangerous" to users and service engineers.

Gaelic Communications Ltd, a subsidiary of Open Systems Technology (OST) Europe Ltd of Dunfermline, Scotland, have discovered machines manufactured by Vegas of Italy which carry a fault in their mains power supplies. The fault means the entire machine could suddenly go live after being switched on, putting people at risk of electrocution.

Units made by Brother, the BC10 model, were also found in the survey to be potentially hazard-

consumer safety unit after it was Institute specifications. The elec- equipment manufactured in found that two popular personal trical risk to them is for service Tawian and the Far East. Vegas had with the model, the consultants claim.

Mr Alex Lothian, chairman of OST, said the survey had been taken at random and he feared that the findings could be "the tip of the iceberg". He asked: "How many other machines and models have similar faults? This should now be looked at in depth."

The consultants have also handed over their findings to Fife Trading Standards Officers, the National Computing Centre and the companies concerned. Mr Lothian suggested that some of the

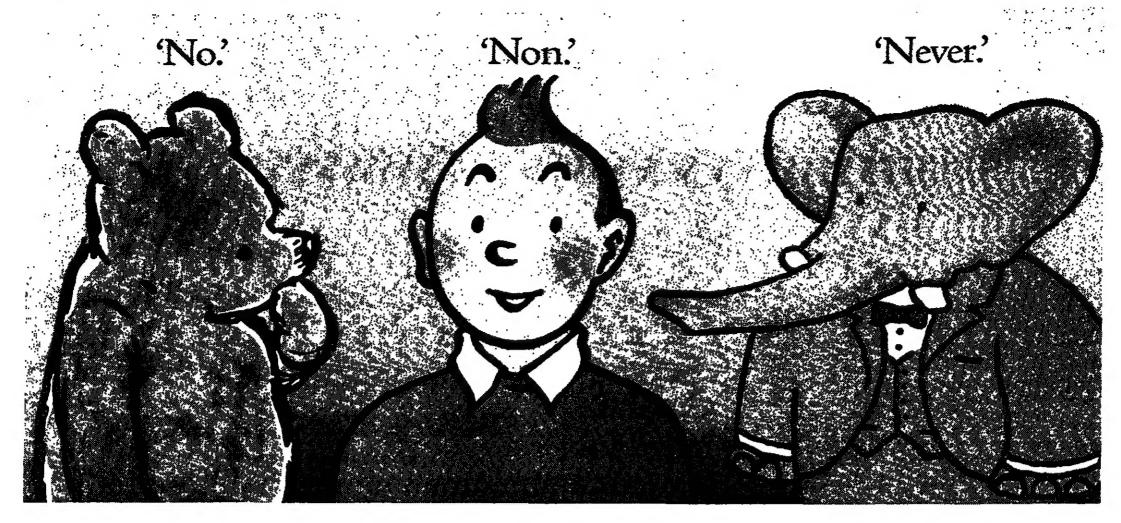
engineers who might be unfamiliar accepted the findings and was recalling models. The findings have emerged in

Computer Weekly, where it is claimed that five manufacturers were found to have personal computers of questionable electrical safety. However, Mr Lothian said that machines made by Epson, Opus and DCS had not been evaluated by the consultants. The Department of Trade and

Industry said it was evaluating the report but confirmed that three of the companies mentioned in the magazine story were not under

Have today's children deserted books for television?

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On the contrary, children's publishing has been a boom industry in recent years.

Favourite characters from the twenties have rarely been in greater demand.

Winnie-the-Pooh, Tintin and Babar the Elephant are still delighting thousands of children. Not to mention Methuen their publisher.

Thomas the Tank Engine remains a favourite of Heinemann as well as countless 4-to-8 year olds.

Reed International also takes a childish pleasure in this success.

They own Methuen and Heinemann.



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Firms accused of spurning vast pool of experienced labour

By KEVIN EASON

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EMPLOYERS are turning their backs on a vast pool of experienced labour by aiming recruitment at workers aged under 35, a survey for the Brook Street employment company says.

The nationwide Gallup survey showed that over 90 per cent of employers fear a recruitment crisis over the next 10 years as the number of children leaving school to join the jobs market drops dramatically. However, only 14 per cent see the over-50 age group as providing a pool of labour that could fill the increasing vacancies, while only one in three is making provision to employ women returning to work after having a family.

Brook Street says the findings of the survey, which covered 250 personnel directors, show that employers are not acting quickly enough to anticipate changes by relaxing their age policy, starting training programmes or pinpointing women "returners". The report comes at a crucial time when some employers, especially supermarket chains in the South-east, have been forced to turn to older workers and mothers returning to work because they are unable to find young recruits.

Brook Street says such companies are still in the minority and thousands more fail to recognize the recruitment difficulties to come. Miss Diana Cornish, Brook Street managing director, said

yesterday: "By its actions, if not its words, British industry confirms the public opinion that employers do discriminate on the basis of age and sex.

"Nearly all employers acknowledge the predicted shortfall of young people entering the labour market and the majority believe it will have an effect on their recruitment policies over the next five years. Yet they are still putting their faith in an endless supply of stylish and competent young people.

"Moreover, while many of them make appropriately caring responses to the possibility of employing older people or women returners, few are actually doing so." The survey found 86 per cent of employers saying that the under-35s

were "best-suited" to their business had the right skills." Brook Street says while a third was relying on recruitment that "ageism" was further underlined by while a third was relying on recruitment of people under 25 to fill vacancies.

The under-25s were considered "quick-thinking less entrenched in atti-tudes and familiar with technology". Potential recruits over 50 were rejected because they were perceived to have less stamina, to be more set in their ways and were failing to live up to the "trendy, dynamic self-image" of some companies.

The report says: "In short, they are a victim of some undefined judgement or style test based on their birth date. The blinkered attitude of companies is confirmed by four out of five potential employees, who believe they had been turned down for a job even though they

the fact that up to three-quarters of firms believed that receptionists, clerks and secretaries should be under 35 but company chairman and cleaners should be aged over 50.

Of the companies preparing to attract women back to work, 69 per cent are considering such incentives as flexible working hours, job-sharing and time off for school holidays. The generous approach ends there, however, with Gallup discovering that only 8 per cent were prepared to offer child care schemes and 10 per cent workplace nurseries. Brook Street says employment prospects do not look "particularly promising" for those

over 50 as only 14 per cent of companies are thinking about recruiting within that age group. That is despite the fact that almost nine out of 10 of the 2,000 employees also interviewed by Gallup said they would postpone retirement if their employer offered more money or for its hours.

flexible hours. The Brook Street summary concludes: "The consequences of this may be that Britain's social fabric will be severely stretched by vast numbers of middleaged men and women with time on their hands. The nation's gardens and golf course proprietors will benefit while the

economy suffers."

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Consultants' **Opposition** rises to NHS reform

OPPOSITION to government interpreted as a vote again plans to reorganize the Nat-ional Health Service and the authority rather than a vote in setting up of self-governing support for the government NHS hospital trusts is increasproposals. ing among senior hospital consultants, the British Medical Association said yesterday. The number against has risen from 52 per cent last year to

more than 60 per cent now. Mr Paddy Ross, chairman of the association's central consultants and specialists committee, has written to Mr Kenneth Clarke, the Secretary of State for Health, seeking confirmation of an assurance given in the House of Lords that no one will be compelled to participate in the new arrangements.

He has called on the Goverament to rule that where take part in the introduction of self-governing trusts applications by hospital managements to set up such trusts should not go ahead.

Mr Ross wrote: "I remain very concerned about the fact in a democratic society dismany of the front-runner hospitals' plans for self-government still appear to be progressing despite clear evidence of back of support from consultant staff."

The latest move by the association comes after the results of the first ballots held garded as front-runners to move towards self-governing status. Of the 28 hospitals out of the 64 which are expected to be candidates for self-governing where consultants have voted, a majority supporting the scheme has been returned in only five and 23 have voted overwhelmingly against the proposals. Among the remaining five are three hospitals in Sheffield and the vote is being

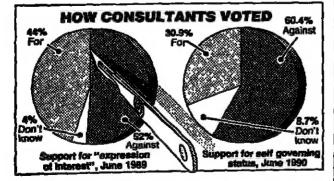
The BMA also said yesterday that in three cases where there had been an overwhelming vote against the scheme. at Darlington (81 per cent against), Eastbourne (84 per cent against) and King's Lynn (82 per cent against), the result had been that management proposals drawn up for a selfgoverning trusts had been withdrawn. The most conclusive vote was at St Thomas's Hospital, London, where 96 per cent of consultants oppose the proposals.

The Department of Health has criticized ballots among sectors of staff at hospitals as consultants have demon-unrepresentative, but Mr Ross strated their unwillingness to said that where ballots had been carried out at 15 hospitals involving all staff the vote against had averaged 88.5 per cent, in favour 8.9 per cent and don't knows 2.6 per cent.

Mr Ross said: "You cannot regard the views of the majority when there is such a high turnout." Ballots among consultants were especially important as consultants were the people who treated the patients and attracted referrals from GPs.

He added: "Management do not see patients. The consultants are the key people in the vote. A self-governing trust cannot work unless you have the commitment of the

In a separate ballot among 144 GPs operating in the area served by Guy's Hospital in London 96 (66.7 per cent) said they were against the hospital become a self-governing trust. Only two (1.4 per cent) defi-nitely voted in favour.



MPs seek help for 'forgotten army' of unpaid carers

By SHEILA GUNN, POLITICAL REPORTER

THE Government's policy of Lords defeat, which requires encouraging the elderly, infirm and disabled to be cared

community care budgets for for in their own homes will be local authorities. The dispute a "fraud" unless unpaid carers are given higher benefits, better facilities and more relief, MPs say.

The Commons social services committee argues that Britain's forgotten army of six million carers, who save the country £24 billion a year, must be valued and helped instead of being regarded as a refused to put her name to the cheap option to residential care. In a report on community care the cross-party committee recommends a twostage package of increased help for informal carers, who are mostly women looking after elderly or disabled

Recommendations include: increasing invalid care allowance from £28.20 a week to £35.70 and later to £43.60; more facilities to give carers an occasional break; more opportunities for carets to combine work with caring; better nursing and home help services; and the effect of the poll tax burden on carers and their dependants to be

monitored. Mr Kenneth Clarke, the Secretary of Sate for Health, is already at odds with the Treasury on whether to risk a Commons rebellion by asking MPs to reverse a House of

has led the peers and the Commons committee to suspect that the Treasury will not provide sufficient funds to bring in the community care reforms recommended by the Griffiths report.

Members of the committee. except the Conservative MP Miss Ann Widdecombe, who report, are to press ministers for extra help for carers when MPs debate the peers' amendment and the income support regulations later this year. Mr Frank Field, the committee chairman, said: "If the Treasury tries to shake this report warmly by the throat we will know they are not serious about their proposals."

Although he admitted the committee had not costed its "modest" proposals because it had exhausted its research budget, he said if the Government provided the funds it would ask the Institute of Fiscal Studies to draw up figures. But Mrs Gillian Shepherd, junior social security minister, said the proposals would be "extremely costly".

Community Care: Carers. House of Commons Social Services Committee 5th report (Stationery Office, £7.15)



rs: Pensioners of the Royal Hospital Chelsea doffing hats and giving three cheers yesterday after a Founder's Day inspection by Princess Alice Duchess of Gloucester. The seated pensioners were those unable to take part in the parade honouring Charles II, founder of the hospital in west London

Suicide of stadium tragedy witness

By RONALD FAUX

A FOOTBALL supporter who witnessed the Hillsborough disaster and was later couneiled for depression by the Hillsborough Help Group was found hanged days after watching a television documentary on the tragedy, an inquest in Liverpool was told vesterday.

On February 6, Mr Duane Riley, aged 25, a labourer and Liverpool fan of Wenlock Road, Anfield, watched the Yorkshire Television First Tuesday programme about the tragedy in which 95 people died. The following day he disappeared and four days later was found hanged in his garden shed.

Mr Roy Barter, the Liverpool coroner, recorded a verdict of suicide. He said there seemed little doubt that the television documentary was a precipitating factor. "It seems to have been that which triggered off his subsequent

behaviour," he said. Mr Riley who lived with his girl friend, Anne Mussell, and their son aged two, went to every Liverpool game up to the disaster. Miss Mussell said that since then her husband would sit quietly, not talking. He had gone for counselling by the Hillsborough Help Group but that did not seem

to help. Mr Gerrard Flanagan, a social worker with the group, said in a statement that Mr Riley had been angry at the police and other people who, he felt, did not appreciate how upset he was. His anger caused some disquiet at group sessions. He had felt kinship with those who died. Friends had taken Mr Riley to the Royal Liverpool Hospital where he had agreed to receive treatment as an out-patient but he had not kept his appointment. Mr Chris Bryer, co-pro-ducer of the YTV docu-mentary, said: "We would like

to offer our condolences to the family but as yet we have been unable to consider the coroner's findings." Mackay gives initial warning to JPs

By Frances GIBB

LEGAL AFFAIRS CORRESPONDENT

THE Lord Chancellor has advised

magistrates to be circumspect about

using the initials JP with their names,

after complaints from people who be-

lieved justices were trying to impress or

use "JP" on a driving licence or a cheque

book, Lord Mackay says. Even leaving a

copy of The Magistrate on the parcel

shelf of the car could "justifiably be construed by a constable who may stop

you for speeding as an attempt to

The Lord Chancellor says, however, he still receives complaints about the use

of the initials by magistrates on their

professional or business letter heading.

Magistrates know that they should not

intimidate them.

UK ends its 'waste dump' role

From Michael McCarthy, environment correspondent, luxembourg

waste dump for other Euro- for importation into the UK, pean Community countries after an agreement reached by EC environment ministers Thousands of tons of

hazardous wastes, including the cancer-causing PCBs, previously sent to the UK for disposal in specialized plants such as the high-temperature incinerator operated by Rechem in South Wales, will now have to be dealt with in their country of origin.

The European agreement follows an initiative of Mr Chris Patten, the Secretary of State for the Environment, who last September proposed that industrialized countries should be self-sufficient in waste disposal. Mr Patten acted after a cargo of Ca-

aim individually".

was refused entry at ports all around Britain after a campaign by the environmental pressure group Greenpeace. Yesterday, Mr Patten's dep-

mally the principle of waste disposal self-sufficiency. The ministers agreed that a net-work of disposal installations would be set up across Europe, which must enable the Community as a whole to be self-sufficient in waste disposal, and enable the member states to work towards that

Mr Trippier said: "For too long now we have been taking more than our fair share, but

made the allegation, were exporting waste to Britain. He released detailed figures showing that last year The Netherlands exported just under 15,000 tons of hazardous wastes to the UK, while Belgium sent nearly 10,000 tons, and more than 5,000 tons came from Switzerland.

British waste treatment companies such as Rechem "would not be going out of business" through the ending

BRITAIN will cease to be a nadian PCBs, fully authorized enough is enough, and I see no of EC waste imports. Mr reason at all why developed Trippier said, because total and industrialized countries UK imports of hazardous should not provide their own facilities". He said he was 41,544 tonnes, while Britain's "sick to death of Britain being own domestic hazardous called the dirty man of waste totalled two million Europe" when the UK extonnes. Britain would conyesterday, Mr Pattern's dep-uty, Mr David Trippier, joined other EC ministers at the quarterly council meeting in Luxembourz to agree fordid not have disposal facilities and they might dump their

wastes in the sea or in a dangerous way on land. Ministers also agreed yesterday that from January 1,

1993 batteries should be clearly labelled to make sure they are disposed of separately from other wastes, and that their contents of dangerous heavy metals such as cadmium should be clearly

One of the consultants, Mr

Julian Greatrex, a manage-

ment development expert

with BP at the time of the in-

spections last spring, said he

agreed the partnership of schools and training institut-ions was fragile. They have no back-up, doing their own

secretarial and clerical work.

They have no time to think."

Schools, the report says, were not obliged to take students and where they did

the majority of teachers were

not paid for the additional work. Most were given no extra time to work with the students, who "felt inhibited

from approaching busy teachers so they rarely could sit

down for a reflective dis-

Last night, the Department

of Education and Science said

some of the issues raised had

cussion of their progress".

now been dealt with.

first person to die in the 10 London marathons held. Passport remand

Paul Scarrott, aged 34, the self-styled football hooligan de-ported from Italy, was remanded in custody for a week by Nottingham magistrates, accused of stealing cigarettes and cash worth £145 and making a false passport

Runner

had heart

disease

Mr Robert Ward, the runner

aged 39 who collapsed and died in the London Marathon

in April, was suffering from a

rare form of heart disease,

Southwark Coroners' Court

Mr Ward, from Hampshire, had "hypertrophic cardiomy-

opathy", causing thickening and enlargement of the beart

walls and fibres. A verdict of

death from natural causes was

Dr Dan Tunstali Pedoe.

medical director of the mara-

thon, said: "The disease is a

notorious cause of sudden

unexpected death, which may

occur at any time, not only with exercise." He was the

heard yesterday.

recorded.

application. Death fine

Sanyo was fined £4,000 by Teesside magistrates over the death of a woman employee at its microwave factory in Thornaby-on-Tees. Mrs Therese Styles, aged 38, was killed by a 4,000-volt shock from an uninsulated conductor.

Flight delay

Mr Christoher Thompson, a pilot who made a forced landing on a corn field near Yarmouth on the Isle of Wight has been told by the farmer that his light plane cannot be moved until after harvesting in three months' time.

Life sentence

Adrian Coxhead, aged 28, was jailed for life at Bristol Crown Court for the murder of his lover, Diane Mitchell, aged 39, after she threatened to reveal their affair to the woman he lived with.

Poor hygiene

Danish Bacon was fined £5,300 yesterday for poor hygiene by magistrates in Exeter after health inspectors found dead birds in the company's warehouse in the

First woman

The Church of Ireland is to appoint its first woman priest. Mrs Jan Catterall, a deacon aged 37, is expected to be ordained in September at St Fin Barre's Cathedral, Cork.

Biggest hostel A planning application has

been submitted to build a 450bed youth hostel, the largest in Britain, in Bermondsey, south-east London.



The brother of Norman Parkinson, Mr Kenneth Smith, and Jake, a grandson, leaving the memorial service for the photographer yesterday. A performance by a steel band musician amid the scent of exotic flowers in Westminster Abbey summed up the clash of dignified elegance and flamboyance that Parkinson injected into his work and life. About 400 friends, models and admirers turned out to commemorate the photographer, who died in February aged 76. Service report, page 16

One recent complaint was from a tenant

saying a landlord had written to him

indicating he was a JP. He had also had a

complaint from a manager of a number

of flats that the secretary of the tenants'

association wrote to him, using "JP"

Lord Mackay's comments came in a

recent address to senior magistrates at a

private training session at Ripon, North

Yorkshire, reported in the latest issue of

The Magistrate. He advised magistrates

to be cautious, also, in the use of their

names in commercial advertisements

after one inquiry from a newspaper

about a magistrate who had done that.

They should always weigh all the

circumstances to see whether it was

possible that the magistracy might be

brought into disrepute. Lord Mackay has

Teacher training tutors 'lack vital guidance'

TOO many tutors involved in bring out the best in a student. training teachers are given no guidance on how to handle the task, according to three indus-trial experts who inspected teacher training courses. They said it was not enough to be a professional teacher with high academic qualifications.

Commercial management consultants from BP International, IBM UK and Lloyds Bank worked alongside four school inspectors examining nine courses at a higher education college, a polytechnic and a university.

Their report, published yesterday, said: "Once a tutor had been appointed, there was no attempt to help develop the training skills required, in particular those of counselling, tutoring and appraisal."

Head teachers and schools

should become more involved in teacher training. Schools with trainee teachers were often given too little informa-

tion by the colleges for them to

making political statements. While free

to hold political opinions and to take

part in legitimate political activity, they

must avoid any form of political expression "which might give rise to

apprehension that, as magistrates, they

might not be impartial between one

might come up in cases before them.

was harsher than usual, or more lenient,

University Entrance, the Official Guide (Sheed and Ward, 2 Creechurch Lane, London EC3A 5AQ: £11.95)

 A university degree is now considered a status symbol alongside the house and the family car. Many parents were now considering joining their children at college, said Sir Edward Parkes, chairman of the Committee of Vice-Chancellors and Principals, at

yesterday's launch of Univer-

group and another". Similar consid- Almost twice as many erations applied to strongly expressed women as men have to take opinions that might touch upon the manual or clerical jobs after impartiality of magistrates on subjects graduating from European such as field sports, animal rights, or studies, according to Dr Nigel issues concerning the environment that Copperthwaite and Mr Colin Mellors, of Bradford Univer-On sentencing, Lord Mackay re-stated sity's European studies department. They said:
"Women's aspirations are as the need for magistrates to give publicly their reasons for any sentence that "departs from the norm" either in that it high as men's, but they find

fewer opportunities."

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poll

boost for

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TIME LIMIT

By NICHOLAS WOOD

POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

ONLY one person in ten sup-ports the Commons decision to

remove the upper time limit for abortion of a child likely to be born with a handicap, according to a new opinion poll.

'Approximate' inflation rate to guide ERM entry date

BRITAIN will be guided by the "approximate" rate of inflation rather than the retail price index in deciding when to join the exchange rate mechanism of the European Monetary System, Mr John Major, Chancellor of the Exchequer, told MPs yesterday.

Progress has been made on meeting the conditions set out by Britain at the Madrid summit for joining, but they have still not been met, he said. "The balance of advantage is clearly to enter the ERM and, in due course, that is surely what we shall do." Mr John Smith, chief Opposition

spokesman on Treasury and eco-nomic affairs, asked for a direct

Concern

on War

Crimes

MPs from both sides pres-

Crimes Bill which was re-

there should be a debate

quickly as possible.

on the future of the Bill as

If there was a conflict

the views of the elected

chamber must prevail.

Mr David Winnick (Walsall North, Lab) said that

between the two Houses, then

Sir Bernard Braine (Cas-

tle Point, C) said that there

at the decision of the Lords. MPs on both sides of the

Commons believed that de-

there was a pressing need for the Commons to resolve

Leader of the House, said that the position required reflection.

unleaded fuel

counts for more than a third

Caithness, Paymaster Gen-eral, said. Sales of un-leaded petrol in May reached.

34 per cent, encouraged by the tax differential with

leaded being increased in

the Budget to nearly 16p a gal-lon, he said.

Ulster helps

Ulster people give more to charity a head than people in any other part of the United Kingdom, even

though the province has the lowest income in the UK, Mr Pear LiRey, Financial Secretary to the Treasury, said

Angola aid

Entain is providing £500,000 in emergency assistance for drought-affected areas of Angola, Mirs Lynda Chalker, Minister for Overseas Development, announced in a written reply.

The aid is in response to an appeal from the UN.

Parliament

The main business in the

Commons next week will be: Monday: Debate on Euro-

prensay: Decate on Euro-pean Community affairs. Tuesday: Law Reform (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Scotland) Bill, second

reading. Wednesday: British Nationality (Hong Kong) Bill,

remaining stages. Thursday: Debates on training and on low income

Friday: Debate on private member's EC motion.

The main business in the Lords will be: Monday: Social Security

Bill, report, first day.
Tresday: NHS and Community Care Bill, report, sec-

ond day. Wednesday: Debate on the

day. Friday: Employment Bili,

second reading.

role of the DTI.
Thursday: NHS and Community Care Bill, report, third

STATISTICS.

next week

Britain is providing

Unleaded petrol now ac-

of the market, the Earl of

cision was wrong, constitu-

tionally and morally, and

what was to be done.

Sir Geoffrey Howe,

Big rise in

was widespread indignation in the country - as a new

poll had demonstrated -

jected by the House of Lords on Monday.

Bill

answer on how a "sufficiency" of any reduction in inflation would be

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Mr Major replied: "A direct answer is that it will be assessed on the approximate rate of inflation which means it will not be on the retail price

"It will be on a comparative basis to the measure on which European nations themselves assess inflation." Mr James Wallace (Orkney and Shetland, Lib Dem) said that Mr Major had seemed to indicate at a press conference at which he spoke recently that the underlying rate of inflation was much closer to the European Community average than a

Demand for

penalties

as beef bans

are lifted

THE agreement in Brus-

sels on the import of

British beef to the rest of

the European Commu-

nity was announced in

Geoffrey Howe, deputy

Prime Minister, when he

replied on behalf of Mrs

Thatcher at question

A Conservative MP de-

manded French and German compensation to British farmers

Sir Geoffrey said that the

agreement was being considered by legal and scientific experts

this afternoon; the Council of Agriculture Ministers would re-

convene to approve documents

and all EC member states would

accept imports of British beef

"The European Commission has reaffirmed its belief that British beef is safe."

The matter had been raised by

Mr James Couchman (Gillingham, C), who asked: In view of the link between listeria and

French brie cheese, the hallu-cinatory effect of French wine,

cinatory effect of French wine, the carcinogenic effect of Perrier water, and the transmissibility of mad frog's disease, will Sir Geoffrey make contingency plans to impose a ban on all French products, lest France fails to honour the agreement cineaed in Proceeds this morning?

signed in Brussels this morning?

Sir Geoffrey said that he understood the concern about how matters had proceeded in

"He must understand that the

"He must understand that the most important conclusion is that there should be a properly free market in agricultural produce throughout the Community in compliance with the law and the European Council of Agriculture Ministers this morning reached agreement to

morning reached agreement to end the ban on the import of British beef to other continental countries."

He added that Mr John Gummer, Minister of Agricult-ure, would return from Brussels and make a statement.

Mr Roger Knapman (Stroud, C) said later that it was certain that the French and German

governments had contravened article 30 of the Treaty of Rome.

They must compensate our farmers for the substantial losses

for their recent heavy losses.

Commons by Sir

TREASURY

proper statistical approach would

Mr Major said that he had been drawing attention to the fact that the British rate of inflation looked "misleading and unreasonable" compared with those of the European partners. That was because Britain contained within its inflation rate that which other countries did not.

Mr Anthony Nelson (Chichester, C) said that rumours that this country was about to become a full member of the ERM had caused the stock

market to rise, the exchange value of sterling to be firmer and money market interest rates to fall. That favourable response should have warmed Mr Major's heart towards the idea of joining im-

Would he bear in mind that if he felt it necessary to take an executive decision — "even while the Prime Minister is abroad" — he would earn

the recognition of a grateful nation (laughter). Mr Major: I have had in my time some attractive offers. I am not entirely sure to what extent that ranks

"I have made it entirely clear to the

judgement that, when the conditions we have set out are met, it is right for us to join the ERM."

Mr Ian Stewart (Hernfordshire North, C), a former Economic Sec-retary to the Treasury, asked for an assurance that the Chancellor of the Exchequer would not contemplate entering the ERM unless and until he regarded entry as fully compatible with the needs of domestic monetary

He should not join at any time when it might mean that interest rates would have to be lowered more, or more quickly, than was necessary for the proper control of monetary

Mr Major: I am acutely conscious of that point. The aim of joining the ERM is to support policies to reduce inflation, not to demand them. inflation, not to damage them.

Mr Stuart Bell (Middlesbrough, Lab) asked if, when the Government entered the ERM as Mr Major proposed in the summer, he would go in on the tight band of 2.5 per cent or the breader band of 6.5 per cent or the breader band of 6.5 per cent or

the broader band of 25 per cent of the broader band of 6 per cent.

Mr Major said: "I can neither confirm the date that he surreptitiously slipped in to his question as an assumption, and neither am I in any position to ealighten him on his substantive point."

More pressure 'needed over Ravenscraig'

MINISTERS were urged yes-terday to make a united ap-proach to British Steel in an effort to save 770 jobs threatened under the plan to close the Ravenscraig hot strip mill at Motherwell.

During a 45-minute meeting with Mr Nicholas Ridley, the Secretary of State for Trade and industry, the Opposition accused the Government of failing to do enough to save the jobs.

Mr Gordon Brown, the shadow trade secretary, said afterwards: "Government min-

atterwards: Government min-isters have not got their act together and insufficient pres-sure is being put on British Steel".

He said there should be a joint engages her the Department of

approach by the Department of Trade and Industry and the Scottish Office to persuade British Steel to change its plan to close the hot strip mill.

Mr Brown said the chairman of British Steel, Sir Robert Scholey, would be more im-pressed if pressure was being put on him by the Department of

"Mr Ridley seems to imagine the protests can be left to others. Our worry is that British Steel will interpret the position of the

Government as something of a lone protest by the Scottish Office," he said. Office," he said.

He added that, although Mr
Ridley and Mr Malcolm
Rifkind, Secretary of State for
Scotland, had met earlier in the
week, they had failed to mount a
concerted campaign to put pressure on British Steel to reconsider and reverse its decision.

In a statement issued after the meeting with a delegation MPs from Scotland, Mr Ridley said: "If British Steel conclude that the hot strip mill is not viable, this is a commercial and opera-tional decision for them to

"The Government's 'golden share' in British Steel only allows me to limit shareholdings to below 15 per cent to protect the company against un-welcome takeover bids while it finds its feet in the private sector."

The statement added that the golden share did not "give me powers to intervene in any operational matters. The issue of my responsibility for the Government's special share is not relevant on this occasion".

to a new opinion poll.

The Gallup survey conducted for the Society for the Protection of the Unborn Child was cited yesterday as evidence of public support for their position by MPs planning a last-diich attempt to persuade their colleagues that the law cannot be left in its present state.

They are arming that by They are arguing that, by decoupling abortion law from the Infant Life (Preservation) Act and so abolishing the blanket 28-week limit, and by lifting

time limits in cases of handicap and grave risk to the mother's health, the legislation now be-fore Parliament allows "abortion up to birth". They also maintain that many MPs were unaware that that was the effect of their decisions in the complicated series of latenight votes during the com-

might votes during the com-mittee stages of the Human Fertilization and Embryology Bill, and that the issue must be reconsidered when the Bill com-pletes its Commons stages this month.

Miss Ann Widdecombe, Con-pervative MP for Maidstone, who saw her hopes of an abortion limit of at most 22 weeks dashed in the April debate, which chose a 24-week limit for most terminations, said at a press conference at Westminster. "As most MPs agree, there was utter confusion when late abortions were debated in April, and the results of the survey show that the House of Commons must be given a second opportunity to consider the matter.

"As things stand", she added,
"the appalling decisions reached
on the matter of late abortion
clearly fly in the face of public

"People throughout the country have a right to know whether or not their local MPs truly want abortion up to birth or did they support such a decision in error."

Miss Widdecombe added that many MPs thought they were voting for a "simplifying admin-istrative measure" when they broke the link between the two

MPs opposed to liberalizing the abortion law have tabled a series of Commons amend-ments aimed at reinstating the 28-week limit for handicap and risk to the mother.

The Gallup poll found that 76 per cent of people wanted an upper limit of 24 weeks or less in cases of foetal handing cases of foctal handicap. A further 14 per cent supported 28 surveyed opposed abortion on



Mr James Conchman: Worried about French mineral water, wine, cheese and frogs

The Opposition had welcomed the Bill, but felt that it did not go far enough fast enough. Food irradiation was a technology looking for a use. For 50 years it had been hawked There were dangers of using too high a level of irradiation. It around the world as a panacea for food poisoning. seemed to be a basic weakness that there was no test which showed that food had been irradiated and that made the The Government had dismissed thousands of scientists whole process potentially dan-gerous. The process was even and the number of veterinary surgeons employed by the Gov-ernment had dropped by 27 per cent, while there was a shortage more dangerous if they talked of re-irradiation.

"Bad food can be dressed up as good food, and that has been proven in courts of law."

Australia, having used irradiation now had a three-year moratorium on it. Many Ameri-It was ironic that, as the rest of the world turned its back on irradiation, the British Government clutched at it as a drawn

Lib Dem) said the Government was quoting only the evidence of the World Health Organization in favour of irradiation in its proposals made by the Euro-pean Commission. The Com-mission had then returned with determination to force through the legislation, conveniently ignoring those experts who were

Others argued that there were no technical means of checking whether food had been irradiated.

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Unsafe aircraft allowed to fly, say Labour members

TWO Labour MPs called for an urgent Commons statement on the British Airways industrial dispute at Heathrow, alleging that unsafe aircraft were flying from the airport because of it.

Mr David Nellist (Coventry South East, Lab) asserted that the dispute had been engineered by the British Airways manage-ment. He said that he had an eight-page list of 75 engineering faults and incidents in the 11 days up to Tuesday, many of which were life-threatening. These included one on Sunday
when the captain of a Boeing over, Lab) supported Mr State for Transport (Mr Cecil 747 reported that his engine fire Nellist's call for a statement Parkinson).

HEATHROW

detection device was un-serviceable but was given dis-pensation to take off.

Sir Geoffrey Howe, Leader of the House, who was answering business questions, said he did not think Mr Nellist's remarks were the most helpful for "cool" am advised that safety is not being compromised."

about what he called the "dan-gerous game" being played by British Airways in connivance with the CAA, to allow certifi-cates and approvals to be given to unsafe aircraft, including Concorde and scores of other

Mr Skinner held up what he said was a computer printout of the number of unsafe aircraft that had flown in the past

Sir Geoffrey said that he would draw these remarks to the

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Inevitably, there was a food poisoning epidemic and there was a suspicion that the Government had jumped on the irradiation bandwagon and saw

The European Parliament

had rejected much more limited

even more limited proposals.

"It is rather strange that our

Government seems to be rushing headlong into adopting leg-islation. Why has it announced

its intention to proceed with legislation on irradiation before

a draft European directive has

ing man at a straw.

been food irradiation."

AN ALL-PARTY attempt to introduce annual reports and evaluation of changes in the National Health Service, was rejected in the House of Lords during the report stage of the National Health Service and Community Care Bill.

The new clause moved by Lady Cox (C), proposing yearly reports by the regional health authorities to the Secretary of State for Health on the implementation of their duties under the Bill, was rejected by 135 votes to 104 — Government majority, 31.

majority, 31.

Lady Cox said that when moving into an area of untried proposals it was essential that there should be a systematic evaluation of progress and that this should be in the public domain.

Her fear was that the kind of monitoring have a said that the same as a

Her fear was that the kind of monitoring proposed by managers was not the same as a systematic evaluation made nationwide on the effects of the changes. "There cannot be too much accountability. In health care, where people are vulnerable and problems are unforeseen, the implementation of new policies can cause real suffering and there must be quick information available."

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fundamental principle of public accountability on a matter of national importance, but they would also help to fill the information deficit which it is widely acknowledged, even within the Department of Health, still exists.

Lord Eanals, Opposition spokesman on health, said that the proposals in the new clause were approved by the royal medical colleges, the Royal College of Nursing and other professional organizations.

The propositions would ensure that constant The new clause would ensure that constant

evaluation took place and that all health authorities and other interested bodies were aware of what was happening so that they could

learn from it.

Lady Hooper, Under Secretary of State for Health, said that it was not difficult to accept the underlying aim of the new clause, but she deplored the attempt to continue the scaremongering about the reforms. All the measures in the Bill were intended to create a service that would improve the quality of clinical care as well as the delivery of care. In order to achieve that, the Government would monitor and review the implementation of the process.

It was important that the national picture should be seen so that all could benefit from improvements and remedies prepared to meet unforeseen difficulties. Parliament today Commons (9.30): Debate on a private member's motion on the burden of taxation. "These requirements would not only satisfy the

EC 'must assume defence role' there has been a positive re-action to his speech from the anti-federalist Bruges Group and Mr Teddy Taylor, the anti-market Tory MP for Southend Mr Taylor said that the "twin-

Mr Ridley could be the likely

to opt out.

The alternative was the "brutal and divisive" one of withholding EC payments until the desired structural changes

Meanwhile, the Bruges Group attacked the Foreign Office for its "minimalist" approach to European political union. it urged Mr Douglas Hurd,

institutions and to embrace a far more radical vision of the kind Mr Ashdown argued that as EC states drew together politi-cally and economically so foreign policy and security matters

sues of common concern.

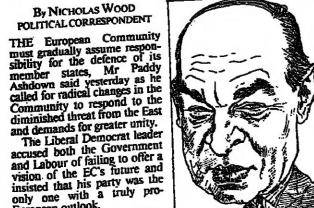
It was "incredible" to believe, as both Tories and Labour did, that Europe's affairs could be so compartmentalized that rela-tionships between the Community and Nato could be kept at

arm's length. Europe could not look indefinitely to the United States for its defence and Nato had to evolve into the "keystone for the new pan-European security structure".
"I have the strongest feeling

that it is only by making the step towards a new European Security Community that the US will be reassured of the coherence of our long-term approach to the maintenance of our own

Mr Ashdown spoke against the creation of a centralized, bureaucratic Europe. Instead, power had to flow both from the

out of the equation



Conservative thinking about Europe was paralysed by in-ternal divisions over the issue and Labour's claims to be in favour of the EC were built on the flimsiest of platforms. The truth is that both Labour and Conservatives are playing around on the nursery slopes

Britain is like a small dinghy of the issue. being towed by an ocean-going liner, excluded from decisions about the course to be steered, but condemned to follow, buf-feted in the wake, just the The Liberal Democrat lead-

European outlook.



er's remarks, in a speech at Shannon, co Clare, in the Irish Republic, came after the comments earlier this week by Mr Nicholas Ridley, the Secretary of State for Trade and Industry, who argued for a wider, multitier Europe with nations moving at their own pace towards economic and monetary union. Mr Ridley is the rare combination of an ardent if

pragmatic pro-European and an unbending Thatcherite, and

track" future sketched out by

course for the future. It would not cause imitation or distress within the Community because the United King-dom would not seem to be frustrating further development in it but simply seeking the right

were made.

the Foreign Secretary, to aban-don his present proposals for limited reforms to European outlined by Mr Ridley.

nation state to more democratic European institutions, bolstered for example by the election of the president of the European Commission, and downwards and outwards to regions and

local communities. Nor should the emerging democracies of the East be left

Baker hails Soviet hope of reaching German deal

By Michael Evans, defence correspondent

MOSCOW has suddenly be- membership for a united Geran agreement with Nato over the security status of a unified Germany, Mr James Baker. the United States Secretary of State, told alliance foreign ministers at Turnberry in

Mr Baker said that since the Washington summit there had been "a change in spirit" within the Soviet leadership on the German question. He told his Nato counterparts at the spring meeting of the North Atlantic Council, held in the beautiful surroundings of the famous golf links, that emerged from talks he had with Mr Eduard Shevardnadze, the Soviet Foreign Minister, in Copenhagen this

nuclear force requirements for Europe. "For our part, we want to share the nuclear risk as widely among the alliance as possible while holding to a nuclear posture that our publics and the rest of Europe find politically reassuring."

Although it was not disdevelopment and possible although there was a dea deployment of Tactical Air to of January 13 next year. Surface Missiles (TAASMs), is likely to lead to difficulties between Bonn and Washington. German sources yes-terday emphasized that Herr Hans-Dietrich Genscher, the West German Foreign Minister, had made it clear in the past that he would not accept nuclear TAASMs forward-deployed in Germany. The US decision is that these new missiles are being developed and that discussion on deployment will come later.

According to a senior US official, Mr Shevardnadze told Mr Baker that he was "im-pressed" by the efforts being made by the West to find a formula on Germany that would meet Soviet security interests. Although Moscow had not yet shifted from its

come convinced it can reach many, Mr Shevardnadze had given a clear impression that more likely.

Yesterday, as Mrs Thatcher underlined her belief, in a lunchtime speech to the foreign ministers, that Nato must preserve its basic principles as its plan for the future — including the retention of nuclear weapons forward-deployed in Europe - the general mood at the Turnberry meet-

ing was one of real optimism. Herr Genscher set out a challenging timetable, for agreements to be reached with the Soviet Union before the end of this year. He said that the "two plus four" talks on German reunification should be wound up before Novemweek.

The Secretary of State said that Nato needed to move rapidly on its assessment of Treaty and a 35-nation Conference on Security and Co-

Herr Genscher said the legal Germanies was not far away, although he could not give a date. He added that West Germany's federal elections, due in December, could be cussed at the meeting, one postponed if there were a nuclear weapon issue, the chance of unified elections, although there was a deadline

He also disclosed that on June 21 the West German Bundestag and the East Ger-mans Volkskammer would be issuing a formal declaration confirming that the two parliaments recognized the existing Polish borders.

The timing of the declaration, which will embody the wording of a treaty, ultimately to be signed between the government of a unified Germany and Poland, is signifi-cant. For it will be made the day before the next scheduled meeting of the "two plus four" talks, in East Berlin. Poland will be represented at the following meeting in July in

The optimistic assessment by Mr Baker of Soviet thinkhad not yet shifted from its ing on Germany was reflected position of opposing Nato in all the discussions.

Gorbachov signals Warsaw Pact end

From Richard Owen in Moscow

PRESIDENT Gorbachov yes- saw Pact member had exterday signalled the end of the pressed the desire to leave. Warsaw Pact in its present Instead there had been a form by offering "radical redebate on the concept of à la forms" and proposing that carte membership along Nato joint bodies be set up with lines, with states deciding Nato to put the seal on the end whether, and to what extent to of the Cold War.

of its top-level meeting yesterday, the Warsaw Pact said it was "necessary to review the character and functions of the organization" so as to transform it into "a pact of sovereign and emancipated states based on democratic ished, but gave no details. He principles". The meeting agreed to set up a commission to draw up detailed proposals, including reform of the unified military command, to be submitted to the next toplevel gathering in the autumn.

The declaration said the reorganized Warsaw Pact hoped to consult Nato with a view to working towards European stability and disarmament agreements. The declaration did not address the problem of a united Germany directly, but Mr Yuli Kvitsinsky, the Soviet Union's Deputy Foreign Minister, said that nobody had proposed that a united Germany should be-long to Nato. Mr Gorbachov told the meeting it was the 'sacred right" of a united Germany to decide its own

Mr Kvitsinsky said no War- peace and stability".

Instead there had been a participate in the military In a declaration at the end structure. He said the interreaction between the new Warsaw Pact and Nato could be the "driving force" for a new era of European stability.

Mr Kvitsinsky said that "obsolete structures" in the Warsaw Pact would be abolsaid he hoped that Nato would follow the Warsaw Pact's "good example" in transforming itself to meet the new circumstances of East-West relations. Contrary to "gloomy forecasts", however, the Warsaw Pact was still alive while responding to the new situation "sensitively and ade-

The Warsaw Pact declaration said East and West now had purely geographical meaning, and old ideological concepts of "the enemy" had disappeared.

Mr Gorbachov later told Herr Lothar de Maizière, East Germany's Christian Democrat Prime Minister, that the Soviet Union would not hinder German unification provided it was "part of the European process leading to



Exports to East relaxed

By Andrew McEwen DIPLOMATIC EDITOR

THE West has agreed to abolish most controls on exports of high-technology goods to East Germany, and to ease restrictions applied to other East European countries and the Soviet Union. However, proposals to build a fibreoptics communications system across the Soviet Union have been blocked.

The Co-ordinating Committee on Multilateral Export Controls (Cocom) approved a number of changes after two days of talks in Paris. In Bonn, Herr Helmut Haussmann, the West German Economics Minister, welcomed the changes, which would help East Germany and other East European countries to restructure their economies

Diplomatic sources said the number of items banned for export to Warsaw Pact nations had been cut by about a third, Certain types of computers, machine tools and telecommunications equipment were among the items approved.

But Britain and the United States have discouraged two consortiums, one British and one American, from applying for licences to build modern communication lines across the Soviet Union using fibreoptic technology.

The United States has been under pressure for years from some European members of Cocom to agree to fewer restrictions. The timing of the US-British move may be a diplomatic signal to other countries that the system should not be dismantled too quickly.



relaxations welcomed

Mints in the West work overtime as unity nears

ECONOMIC union between the two Germanies on July 2 is and the preparation for the a prospect already creating a boom in West Germany, according to figures released here this week which show that the gross national product and the number of job vacancies is rising swiftly while unemployment is falling.

Over the past quarter, GNP grew by 4.4 per cent, com-pared with only 2.5 per cent in the previous quarter, when re-unification still seemed remote. Unemployment, meanwhile, fell by 5 per cent in May to 1,823,000. This means that joined the labour mar-

Germans during 1989. In-creased consumer demand - abandoned all down the line," by virtue of both the new Herr Dieter Fosse, their trea- coins a day.

settlers from East Germany surer, said. There were real expected surge in demand after economic union - is an important factor in creating both jobs and wealth. Herr Helmut Haussmann,

the Economics Minister, welcomed the figures as "convincing evidence of the present dynamic of the German economy", which meant that, on the threshold of currency, economic and social union with East Germany, business was in an "extraordinarily healthy condition".

In East Germany, by con-

fears that small businesses would rapidly be bankrupted by the competition from big Western chain stores after economic union. Restaurants and shops in particular were being asked to shut for a day.

Despite the worries, preparations for "X-Day" - as July 2 called - are now well advanced. So that savers can complete the necessary formalities in time, banks are staying open daily until 6 pm, and extra staff are being drafted in so branches can open at weekends.

7 per cent of workers are now trast, the unemployment rate unemployed, compared with is rising swiftly with more 7.9 per cent at the turn of the than 100,000 people now regard Karlsruhe have been year, even though more than istered as out of work. Con- working overtime since the 100,000 East Germans have cern about the effects of state treaty on economic since joined the labour market. This is the lowest level of Germany led on Wednesday than a month ago. Even with unemployment for eight years. to chambers of trade and machines stamping out 750 The number of registered industry and representatives coins a minute, however, it is unemployed is 150,000 lower of small businesses in East not altogether certain that the than it was a year ago, despite Berlin calling a series of deadline for changeover will the arrival of 721,000 ethnic warning strikes for yesterday be met. The main Hamburg deadline for changeover will mint is working from 7am to 4pm, producing two million

East Berlin aids Bonn in arrest of woman terrorist

From Ian Murray in Bonn

ONE of West Germany's most wanted terrorists, Frau Su-sanne Albrecht, aged 39, has been arrested in East Berlin, probably with the help of information supplied by a former member of the East German Stasi secret police. She had been "overseas", possibly in the Middle East,

for the past two years, but had returned on leave to East to hand Frau Albrecht over Germany on Sunday to change her money into Deutschmarks when currency union is introduced at the beginning of next month. Wanted for her part in the 1977 murder by the left-wing

Red Army Faction (RAF) of Jürgen Ponto, the chairman of the Dresdner Bank, she had West German authorities had been living under a false name only recently been given as an East German citizen for the past 10 years.

West German Interior Min- arrived in East Germany 10 ister, as "an extraordinary success for the close working relationship of the police in both parts of Germany".

Announcing details of the arrest at a press conference in East Berlin yesterday, Herr Peter-Michael Diestel, the East German Interior Minister, said that an application family, she was the god-to hand Frau Albrecht over daughter of Herr Ponto. She had been received from the West German federal prosecutor on May 15 and that she had then been traced by the East German Central Criminal Office. She was arrested at her home in an East Berlin suburb on Wednesday.

This all indicates that the West German authorities had information about the false identity of Frau Albrecht, who The arrest was welcomed by had been living under the Herr Wolfgang Schauble, the name of Ingrid Jager since she

years ago from Czecho-slovakia. Herr Diestel did not exclude the possibility that her identity had been known to the communist regime, and it is certain that the Stasi must have been fully aware of who

The daughter of a well-to-do had become involved with the Red Army Faction through working as an assistant in the office of a lawyer who was in charge of the defence of two In July, 1977, she made use

of her close relationship with Herr Ponto to call to see him with flowers and two "friends." The intention was to hold him as hostage against the release of four RAF members, but he put up a struggle

Emergency to quell Central Asian conflict

From Richard Owen in Moscov

THE Soviet authorities, struggling to contain an explosion of ethnic rivalries, declared a state of emergency yesterday in Frunze, the capital of Kirghizia, after warnings that violence there was spilling over into a war with neighbouring Uzbekistan.

Mr Vadim Bakatin, the Soviet Interior Minister, said that 48 people had been killed in four days of clashes sparked off by a dispute, over land in the town of Osh, between native Kirghiz and local Uzbeks. Almost 350 people have been injured, more than 80 of them police or soldiers.

Mr Bakatin told the Supreme Soviet that what had started as local riots were developing into armed clashes between the republics of Kirghizia and Uzbekistan. "The violence has spread," he

The state of emergency had been declared in Frunze because of mass demonstrations by Kirghiz students and local residents demanding that the local party and government leadership resign, and giving it three days to do so. Reports said that 4,000 protesters had laid siege to official buildings. Mr Bakatin told deputies that the conflict in Kirghizia was the result of "idiocy, conceit and red tape in the allocation of land, in which the interests of one nationality were ignored".

Americans told to flee Monrovia

AS REBEL forces yesterday closed in on Monrovia, the Liberian capital, America urged the last 1,200 of its citizens in the country to take what may be their final chance to leave in Sunday's airlift (Libby Jukes writes).

West Germany also has a plane standing by to evacuate about 200 expatriates amid fears that the fighting could block the last overland route. A spokesman for the Foreign Office said it was understood the American charter flights on Sunday would be open to other than Americans.

UK among top 12 polluters

Geneva - Twelve countries including Britain, which is number eight with 2.7 per cent are the source of two-thirds of the pollutant gases said by scientists to be responsible for global warming, the 1990-91 report by the World Resources Institute in Washington says (Alan McGregor writes). The US heads the list with 17.6 per cent of the total.

Mr Alan Brewster, the institute's vice-president, said yesterday that it was to be hoped that the new information presented by this independent policy research centre would make "a profound difference in international decision-making."

Wallenberg may be still alive

Copenhagen - The evidence that Raoul Wallenberg, the Swedish diplomat who saved thousands of Jews from the Nazis, did not die in 1947 as Moscow claims, is incontrovertible, according to an international commission of

In a report released here yesterday it said the evidence was "credible" that he was alive in the 1970s and 1980s. and called on Moscow to release him if still alive. (AFP)

EC's Burma call Bangkok - The European Community has called on the

Burmese Army to hand over power "without delay" to the victorious opposition and to release political prisoners.

He said that "primitive, medieval nationalism" was being stoked up in Muslim Central Asia, and that local militia forces were unable to handle the resulting interethnic conflicts.

The situation in Osh itself was stable and under control But "many thousands of people", armed with stones and weapons, were gathering between Osh and Andizhan across the border in Uzbekistan. More were streaming from Frunze to try to join the fighting. Soviet journalists in the region reported that Uzbeks in Osh and other Kirghiz towns had appealed to Uzbekistan for aid.

Kirghiz nationalists, many of them students, assembled yesterday in the main square at Frunze, the scene of violent demonstrations on Wednesday night, to urge all Kirghiz to go to Osh to fight the Uzbeks. Tass said that "columns of them were chanting slogans such as 'Kirghiz unite' and 'all Kirghiz to Osh'."

Mr Bakatin said that 1,500 troops, 450 border guards and 900 Interior Ministry troops had been sent to quell the unrest, but were in danger of being overwhelmed,

The agency, reporting on the Frunze demonstration, said: "Participants in the rally forgot their demands, made in the morning, that Kirghiz should be allowed to leave for Osh. The protesters, or at least their leaders, are now more interested in power."

Tass added that demonstrators had boosd and hissed the President of Kirghizia, Mr Absamat Masaliyev, when he tried to address them. Izvestia said that in 10 areas of Kirghizia police units were in danger of being overwhelmed by thousands of Uzbekt.

Kirghizia, which borders on Uzbekistan, Tajikistan and Kazakhstan, has a population of just over four million, of whom half are Kirghiz, a quarter Russian and around 15 per cent Uzbek.

Reports from Tashkent said that interior ministry troops had sealed off the border between Kirghizia and Uzbekistan in an attempt to keep the people of the two republics apart.

Mr Bakatin proposed an immediate declaration by all I 5 Soviet republics guaranteeng the rights of ethnic

Chinghiz Aitmatov, the member of Mr Gorbachov's Presidential Council, issued a statement urging Kirghiz and Uzbeks to restore order and remain calm.

Last night Tass said that, despite such appeals and the presence of armoured cars in Osh, disturbances were continuing sporadically and rioters were still looting shops.

Troops had taken over shops and warehouses to distribute food.

Meanwhile, Uzbekistan, whose Prime Minister, Mr Shukurullah Mirsaidov, appealed on television for calm, yesterday joined the growing list of republics demanding independence from Moscow. A meeting of the Uzbek Communist Party declared that only "political and economic sovereignty" could solve the republic's economic



Mr Bakatin: Idiocy, red tape and conceit blamed

Cash is key to victory in East Europe's war of the ballot box Czechoslovak elections. In general it was communists do really own the deeds of expert for the UDF, complains: "There

From Roger Boyes
INSOPIA

THE hallot-box war against communism in East Europe is being fought with Western razzmatazz - colourful stickers, giveaway T-shirts, and video clips starring lisping children and square-chinned, honest-looking adults.

But the campaigning, and the whole shift to a multi-party system, is proving expensive and dangerous. As more and more new groups rise up and then collapse at the polls, it is becoming clear that party financing is one of the most pressing problems of the new democracies in the East.

The headquarters of the Bulgarian opposition, the Union of Democratic Forces (UDF), is a creaking, grimy six-storey building, draped in blue, on Rakovski Street here. Music blares out and student volunteers bustle up and down the staircases, as do Western donors with briefcases full of dollars. Mr Stefan Tafrov of the Union says: "We do not accept any contributions with strings

attached. That would be impermissible. The communist party, now called the Socialists, and the UDF agreed infor-

mally not to accept foreign assistance. But the reality is that the communists have almost unlimited access to hard currency because the party has been twinned with the state structure since the war. "Dollars buy photocopiers, and faxes - without them we cannot run a modern campaign," remarks Mr Tafrov, a campaign organizer.

The risks of launching a democracy with insufficient funds became apparent in the Polish local council elections last month. Solidarity-backed candidates won overwhelmingly, partly because only they had enough funds to print posters and run a campaign. Smaller right-wing parties, unable to seize the attention of the uncommitted, dribbled away. Most significantly, in the elections - Poland's first free polling since the war - the turnout was a mere 42 per cent. The sense of competition fostered by high-profile campaigning simply did not

The first step after the revolutions of 1989 was to pronounce communism dead at the ballot box: that was the effect of the Polish elections in June 1989 and this year's East German, Hungarian and enough to form an anti-communist front or in Romania's case an anti-Ceausescu coalition.

But some of these groups are cracking up - the Bulgarian UDF almost col-lapsed before the elections, Solidarity is splitting painfully into centre-right and centre-left factions, while the Czechoslovak Civil Forum is also undergoing an upheavai.

The parties that are emerging from these broken shells must now present alternatives to people who for 45 years have grown up with no-choice politics. That requires access to television - a right won by most East European parties - but, above all, money. The old communist parties may have lost their monopoly on power but still command assets - buildings and office space, car fleets and printing presses. Opposition groups are struggling for a slice of these

The East German Parliament last month passed a law seizing any ill-gotten assets of the communist party. In Poland, there has been much legal detective work to discover whether the

their various properties; the communistcontrolled press monopoly, its main money-spinner, has indeed been broken

Money buys votes in the Balkans. In a tiny village 50 miles outside Sofia yesterday, the communist-dominated town council was giving out free blankets to old-age pensioners. In other commu-nities, teenagers are being given beer money to rip down UDF posters.

New anti-communist parties are dependent on electoral laws that allocate limited government funds to each of them. The Romanian National Salva-tion Front assigned 200,000 lei (about £5,900) to each of its rivals. This was obviously not enough, and the Agrarian and Liberal parties resented the handout. The leaders of these two parties were millionaires who had made their fortunes in the West. They largely financed the campaign themselves but were unable to make much headway against Mr Ion Iliescu, who picked up 86 per

cent of the presidential ballot.

were 1,000 posters advertising my candidature in my constituency and they were pulled down overnight. Now I have to pay out of my own pocket for new ones to be printed."

The UDF posters are chiefly printed on paper donated by the West (a Britishbased millionaire) and some of the basic printing was carried out by Solidarity presses in Poland. Sofia and Prague are awash with Western donors: the National Republican Institute, Democracy

Watch, Free Elections, and many others. UDF organizers say that the cash, though welcome, can never be enough to compete with the communists' wealth. What the UDF does have is a legion of Western advisers, most of them working free. Jacques Segela, who helps or-chestrate President Mitterrand's campaigns, has been showing the UDF how to put together television advertisements and market the party - hence the distinctive blue stickers and gifts distributed in the main cities.

The communists have hit back with One opposition candidate in Bulgaria, Mr Venceslas Dimitru, an economics badges depicting a cheeky-looking cartoon character dressed in red. These are

much sought after by children; not bad for a party linked to political murders over the past 40 years.

Western cash can be a poisonous gift. There is truch loose talk in Sofia of the US Central Intelligence Agency. The UDF hierarchy is quarrelling about how much of the donated cash each of its constituent parties should be allocated. The opposition party will not allow another opposition party - sharing the same office - to use its photocopier without payment.

It seems sure that the turnout in the Polish council elections would have been even lower than 42 per cent if Western money had been barred. Solidarity was belped by fundraisers in New York, Chicago and Canada. "The trick is to get a correct balance

between local support, foreign funds and party-owned businesses such as newspapers or publishing houses," said a weary Western adviser in the \$140-a-night Chamitan Triad in \$6.50 MA night Sheraton Hotel in Sofia. "A fledgeling democracy must not become over-dependent on Western help - that just erodes sovereignty and fuels nationalism."

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Czechoslovak poll marred by disputes in democratic camp

From Richard Bassett in Prague

first free elections for 42 years. Given the strong pre-war democratic traditions of the Czech crown lands, these are set to be the least controversial of this year's elections in Eastern Europe.

Not that the 20-odd parties in the contest have been averse to the occasional welltimed accusation to discredit an opponent. Even Civic Forum. President Havel's 'moral" umbrella organization, felt constrained on Wednesday night to deliver a parting shot at his Christian Democrat rivals by arranging for state television to do down Mr Josef Bartoncik, the chairman of the People's Party which is in coalition with the Christian Democrats.

Mr Bartoncik has long been the subject of allegations linking him with the secret police. The allegations have also been directed at Mr Richard Sacher, the Interior Minister, but the timing of Wednesday night's accusations left few Czechs in any doubt that Civic Forum is keen to enjoy out-right power after the elections, without the help of any other

Dr Irena Pankowa, for many years a Roman Catholic activist, said: "It is a great mistake. The Forum should realize that Czechoslovakia today needs consensus.

"Only if it works with the other major opposition party, the Christian Democrats, can

CZECHS and Slovaks vote exploiting these weaknesses." today and tomorrow in their The Forum government also appears to see nothing wrong in its faintly sharp practice of finally deciding to detain ousted Communist chiefs on

the eve of the elections. Initially, the Forum pro-posed working only as an interim government after seizing power last November. Now the organization appears determined to rule the country at least until elections in 1992.

Its chief rival, the Christian Democrats, are weak in Bohemia, where they are expected to gain between 12 and 15 per cent of the vote, but powerful in Slovakia, where they might, despite the Forum's latest manocuvies, win a majority.

Party which, under Mr Vasil Mohreta, is resigned to two years of the lowest of low

In contrast to other Central European communist parties, the Czechoslovak Communists have refrained from changing their name. The present party will reform its ideology, regroup on a smaller basis and sit back while the antagonisms between the Czech Civic Forum and the Slovak Christian Democrats envelop political life.

These rifts cannot be ignored. At a Forum rally earlier this week in the Slovak capital, Bratislava, spectators came to blows when Mr Havel Also almost certain to be appeared in an attempt to represented in the new Par- defend the Forum's position.

'Spy' slur may deprive coalition of top post

From Peter Green in prague

Christian Democrat partner, sink any chance the Christian Democrats may have of winning the Prime Minister's

it stop the Communists, who said the allegations should not Havel, a Czec are still very powerful, from have been made on the eve of Civic Forum. said the allegations should not

ALLEGATIONS against Mr the election. "It could in-Josef Bartoncik, the chairman fluence the election results in of the People's Party, a key the Czech republic. If the Christian parties do not have a that he was a long-time secret strong enough position in police informer threaten to parliament and government I would not be willing to serve as Prime Minister.

Mr Carnogursky, who leads Mr Jan Carnogursky, the the Slovak Christian Demo-Deputy Prime Minister and a crat Movement, would be a leading candidate for the post, logical choice, with President logical choice, with President Havel, a Czech, and allied to



Salome Anderson, daughter of Beirut hostage Terry Anderson, on her fifth birthday yesterday as Beirut papers carried a message from her to the father she has never seen

Walesa seen as 'dictatorial' in Solidarity row

A SOLIDARITY ideologist it plans to hold the elections yesterday accused Mr Lech Walesa of acting dictatorially and said that his supporters were trying to destabilize the Solidarity-led Government to get him elected President of Poland.

Mr Adam Michnik, whom Mr Walesa tried to dismiss as editor of the Solidarity newspaper Gazeta Wyborcza, accused the movement's leader of arrogance in attacking him and others who oppose his attempt to win the presidency. "From the leader of Solidar-

ity, a mass movement of Polish democracy, you are slowly changing into a Cae-sar," Mr Michnik said in an unprecedented public criticism of Mr Walesa.

He made the remark in an exchange of letters between the two men published by Gazeta Wyborcza, a mass circulation daily.

Mr Michnik said that the real dispute with Mr Walesa was over changes in Poland's political landscape - an apparent reference to the break-up of Solidarity as a broad political movement.

It also involved "persistent destabilization attempts by supporters of an idea for the existing parliament to elect Lech Walesa President in the autumn", Mr Michnik added. Mr Walesa and his support-

ers want the first fully democratic parliamentary and pres-idential elections in Poland since the Second World War to be held in the autumn. The Government of Mr Tadeusz a long-time communist, is Mazowiecki, the Prime Min- President and former comister, says that it needs time to push through its programme 65 per cen of economic reforms and that Parliament.

In the first sign that oppo-nents of Mr Walesa might back off from an all-out clash. Mr Michnik said that the Solidarity leader had a good chance of becoming President with the backing of his former

allies, on condition that he was President of a democratic Poland and did not become "monarch of a post-communist empire". Mr Walesa stepped up his attack on Mr Mazowiecki and his supporters, accusing them of halting democratization, delaying elections and clinging

to power without a popular mandate. He said that his former friends in the Government should have launched a terrific democratic process after the communist party's dissolution in January instead of maintaining structures with no popular mandate. The whole political set-up

which I built has been stopped and it has stopped at a very useful place for itself, which frightens me," Mr Walesa

"I am unhappy about it and want to shake it up. I am sorry these people are my friends, but friends, you have sat down on your seats and you are sitting there, and there is no movement forward."

He accused them of seeking to serve their own interests in maintaining political struc-tures agreed with the communists last year, under which General Wojciech Jaruzelski, munists and their allies hold 65 per cent of the seats in

Jackson calls on Barry to resign From Peter Stothard, us editor, in washington

cause of the "persecution and

As Mr Barry's drugs and defence very difficult. perjury trial entered its fourth It is widely belie day of controversial jury selection, Mr Jackson, who was once seen as a potential successor to the Mayor, said that "a candid statement of his drugs. To suggest otherwise plans would be a a major step may strain even a friendly

a settlement". The move is seen as important indicator that Mr Barry's radical black power base might prefer him to make trial in which the community's dirtiest political linen would be lengthily and publicly aired. So far, however, the Mayor has refused any bargain which would depend on his admitting a "felony offence". A guilty plea to perjury, for example, could send him to prison and out of

the political scene. The prosecutors yesterday continued with their preparations for what looks set to be a uniquely political courtroom battle. Among other matters, they grappled with the problem of how to refer to the Mayor in court — as "the defendant" or, in deference to the special status of the politician who for 12 years has ruled the nation's capital, as "Mr Barry"?

Yesterday Judge Thomas Penfield Jackson complained that the questioning of potential jurors was "way, way behind schedule". He has restricted lawyers on both sides to five minutes only for questions about jurors' attitudes to the case.

A key demand is whether a juror would be able to reject a auggestion from another juror that "you disregard the law of evidence, and decide the case on other grounds".

The prosecuting lawyers will challenge any juror who openly proclaims his preference for politics over evidence. But they are not confident that the question will be answered truthfully.

Only a month ago it appeared that Mayor Barry's much-respected lawyer, Mr R. Kenneth Mundy, could rely heavily on a so-called "entrapment" defence. The principle charge at that time arose from the "sting" operation in Janu-ary, in which Mr Barry was lured to the Vista Hotel by a former girlfriend and offered FBI "crack", while FBI video cameras rolled to record the

Mr Mundy might have argued that Mr Barry had no prediposition to smoke "crack", and had done so only under pressure. It was ru-moured that the video-recording revealed the girifriend as taunning Mr Barry as a "chicken" for his initial reluctance to use the drug.

Since then, however, the prosecutors have filed additional charges relating to separate use of drugs over a number of years. Although these charges stem chiefly

THE Rev Jesse Jackson has from the evidence of asso-called on Mr Marion Barry, ciates whose credibility is the Mayor of Washington, to resign and so remove the chief granted immunity from prosecution, enough mud may stick to make an entrapment

It is widely believed in Washington that Mr Barry, while maybe not a fully dependent drug addict, did certainly have a predisposition to use jury's patience. Mr Barry has accused his

opponents of leaking a copy of the tape to a local television station. The prosecution yesterday accused the defence of a plea bargain than to fight a trying to "infect" the jury by the charge of leaking the tape. Some local reporters think it

more likely that the Barry camp would leak the tape, itself, hoping that prior publication might weaken its impact or even rule it out as evidence.

Both sides have experts on hand in the newly fashionable legal science of videotape analysis. It is not uncommon for the poor quality of secret recordings to allow legal dispute about the the precise words used, their meaning in the particular context, and the editing or enhancement to



over 'leaked' videotape

which the tape may have been subject after the events took

The "chicken" may be just such a disputed item. When Mr Barry describes himself as "good" is he referring to his abstinence from drugs or from extra-marital sex? The jury will have to decide.

The defence lawyers have also considered a defence based on the Mayor's admitted alcoholism. During his currently much-publicized treatment programmes, he has never admitted cocaine addiction.

But an alcoholism defence could require the opening of medical records. There would be too great a danger, the defence seems to have decided, that these might reveal drug-related dependency, 100.

Nor would proof of his alcoholism necessarily be sufficient for a defence of diminished responsibility in respect of the other charges. The best hope would be to argue that when he allegedly perjured himself before a grand jury in 1978, his responsibility was reduced by alcohol.





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Californians' vote may sound retreat for US tax revolt

sparked America's anti-tax revolt a dozen years ago, took a step this week that has politicians and analysts humming with excitement and talking of a watershed. It voted for tax

By the narrowest of margins portation. The same measure permits the relaxation of strict controls on state spending which the same electorate imposed in 1968.

Some argue that the vote has little wider relevance; others that it signals that voters are now prepared to support tightly targeted tax increases to meet specific, urgent needs. But many contend that it foreshadows the end of the decade-long Reagan era during which to talk of raising taxes, however unbalanced the budget and des-perate the need for revenue, was political suicide.

Certainly the vote could not payers' Union, said the vote of the white vote to win.

CALIFORNIA, the state that have been more timely. The merely showed that Califor-White House and Congress are resuming negotiations in Washington on how to slash a ballooning budget deficit forecast of about \$200 billion (£119 billion) next year.

The vote will double By the narrowest of management of the cents and cents to 18 cents a game a five-year period, generating revenues of \$18.5 billion over the cents to be spent on highway improvements and new mass transit systems. The extra annual cost to an average motorist, who presently pays around \$1.12 a gallon, will be \$60.

> Dr Arthur Laffer, the conservative Californian in the country." "It really does end the tax revolt and sends a signal to Washington which I dislike intensely. If California gives up on the tax revolt, can Washington be far behind?"

nians were sick of sitting in traffic jams. "To suggest that this signals the end of the tax revolt is totally erroneous." Democrats in Washington were quick to interpret the

Senator James Sasser, chairman of the Senate budget committee, said it shows that voters will now swallow tax increases when they are "absolutely necessary". Mr Thomas Folcy, the House Speaker, observed: "The tax revolt, which allegedly started in California, has been tempered by the realization that we have to make investments

economist whose 1970s sup-ply-side theories inspired sub-sequent Reagan budgets, said: first black person to be nomi-North Carolina in more than a century. He comfortably won a Democratic run-off and will challenge for the Senate seat of Mr Jesse Helms, the right-Mr Larry McCarthy, presi- wing incumbent. Mr Gantt dent of the National Tax- would need about 40 per cent

Democrat, Mr Richard Sol-

omon, the Assistant Secretary

of State for East Asian and Pacific Affairs, indicated that

the Administration was cou-

cerned about the possible export of chemical weapon

ingredients by China to the

Middle East, but declined to

"We've got some indica-tions that something may be

going on in that area, and we

have expressed our concerns

to them (China) at a very high

ficial said the American Em-

bassy in Peking was instructed

several days ago to ask the Chinese not to sell key poison gas ingredients to Libya.

America's latest concerns

have raised new questions about the Administration's

conciliatory policy towards Peking. The Administration

recently decided to extend

most favoured nation trading

lomatic contacts despite the

continued repression prac-

At the Senate hearing, Mr

"You certainly can't

Biden complained that the

Administration's policy to-wards China had been a

defend China on trade; you

can't begin to defend them on

handling of the situation since

Tiananmen Square," he said,

Chinese and Mongolian af-

promised not to sell M9

offered a more general assur-

ance not to sell medium-range

Mr Wiedeman said the

Administration was still trying

to get China to accept an

internationally agreed defi-nition of medium-range mis-

siles. Such a definition is

contained in export guidelines

agreed by Western nations

and was confirmed in a US-

Soviet joint statement on

combating the spread of mis-

siles, poison gas and nuclear weapons issued after last

missiles to the Middle East.

and nuclear weapons.

Another Administration of

level." Mr Solomon said.

elaborate.



First stop: Mr Nelson Mandela and his wife, Winnie, being greeted by M Jacques Chirac, Mayor of Paris, at the Hôtel de Ville yesterday as the deputy president of the African National Congress began a six-week, 13-nation tour of Europe, North America and Africa

US claims China aiding Libyan poison gas plans

gence reports, is considering the sale to Libya of chemicals poison gas, officials of President Bush's Administration said here. They said that after might have been a hoax it was learnt that repre-engineered by Colonel Gadafit was learnt that repre-sentatives of Chinese companies and Libyan officials were negotiating the sale, the the complex but no proof that Administration asked the Chiit is back in operation. nese Government not to go

Such a sale, the officials said, would violate China's express commitment not to Senate foreign relations comencourage the spread of poi-son gas to the Middle East. Libya's chemical weapons Under sharp questioning by

worry for the United States. inistration officials said in March that a fire that month at Libya's chemical weapons factory at Rabta fi, the Libyan leader. The CIA has detected recent activity at

Washington's new concerns emerged on Wednesday when a senior State Department official testified before the

Peking decides to punish protesters

student protests at Peking University this week and decided to "deal severely" with the unrest, an informed party source said yesterday.

Party leaders met after about 200 students huried bottles out of dormitory windows and held a rally of about 1.000 students on Sunday their democracy movement, political prisoners,

THE Chinese Communist The source said the meeting Party Politburo held an emer-branded the protests as "or- status to China and has also mized planned and plotted' and decided to "deal severely" with the incident. The policy would likely include arrests and expulsions, he said, "The sudden Polithuro meeting shows the leadership is very nervous about possible unrest," the source said.

The leaders were still confident enough to proceed with night to mark the anniversary the announcement on Wedof last year's crackdown on nesday of the release of 97

Herzog tries to end the deadlock

From OUR CORRESPONDENT IN JERUSALEM

IN AN effort to break Israel's political impasse, President Herzog yesterday called on the leaders of the main parties to meet to form an emergency

of South Korea.

coalition government.

Mr Shimon Peres, head of the Labour Party, accepted the invitation, but there was no response from the office of the Prime Minister, Mr Yitzhak Shamir, who heads the right-wing Likud bloc.

The appeal from the President came as Mr Shamir struggled to form a new gov-ernment by this week, which is

when his mandate runs out. The Israeli political system has been in near-chaos since March 15, when the Likud-Labour coalition government collapsed over disagreements on how to proceed with the Middle East peace process.

since April 27 to construct a narrow coalition that would include the 40 seats in his Likud bloc and more than 20 from ultra-religious and rightwing nationalist parties.

Negotiations have not so far resulted in a single agreement being signed with any of the seven small parties, though six have committed themselves to supporting Mr Shamir.

human rights; you can't begin to defend them on their However, representatives in both the main parties acknowgoing on to question whether China was being responsive to ledged that "quiet" talks were still under way to determine if American concerns over the spread of missiles, poison gas I show and I ikud could find common ground for a new coalition.

The impasse has spurred In response, Mr Ket calls for electoral reform that Wiedeman, the director of the could lead to direct election of State Department's office of a prime minister. The Hebrew-language daily Maartv said in an editorial this week fairs and one of Mr Solomon's aides, said that China had that the main parties must put partisan considerations aside.
"If not," the newspaper said, "the really important issues will be pushed aside because of the calculations of missiles to Syria and had

marginal groups." • Soldier sentencel: An Israeli military court has sentenced a sergeant to four months of army work detail, for killing a Palestinian during a raid on an occupied West Bank village last year, an army spokesman said yesterday. He said that Yosef Eliahu

violated the Army's instruc-

tions by shooting the 22-year-

week's summit. old Arab as he was fleeing. The orders specify that sol-diers must call on Arabs to Administration specialists emphasized that, although there was evidence that China halt and then shoot in the air before aiming at a suspect. Eliahu, who will not be deand Libya had been negotiating the sale of poison gas moted or jailed, will fulfil his ingredients, there was no proof that contracts had been punishment by doing "unsigned or that the ingredients pleasant" work at an army had been shipped to Libya. base. (Reuter)

North Korea denounces 'traitorous' Gorbachov

LOSING friends as quickly as how successful he has been in Moscow seems to be making promising Seoul's cash as bait them, North Korea yesterday for diplomatic recognition. Working through all the cliches in the Cold War lexilashed out at one of its few remaining allies when it denounced the "unpardonable, con, North Korea's state news

traitorous bargaining" be-tween President Gorbachov agency said yesterday that "all facts prove that the talks and President Roh Tae Woo between Roh Tae Woo and Gorbachov ... were an un-pardonable, traitorous barg-aining" and it bitterly The attack against the Soviet leader by Pyongyang, barely imaginable even a few denounced the Roh Tae Woo months ago, follows the his-toric meeting in San Francisco group's "flunkeyist, submissive and traitorous trip, which has put the existence of the on Monday between President Gorbachov and Mr Rob, who nation and the future destiny of the country in danger". is the one more used to insults

from his northern neighbour.

It is probably Mr Roh's surest sign yet of how rapidly traitor Roh called at the his relations with the comimperial house of Japan, the munist world in general, and old enemy of our nation, and with the Soviet Union in made a bow, and today went particular, are warming and to the United States to make a

UK and Iran resume

diplomatic dance

By Andrew McEwen, DIPLOMATIC CORRESPONDENT

BRITAIN and Iran have re- ative ones continue to make

sumed efforts to patch up news. Mr Douglas Hurd, the relations after the fiasco two Foreign Secretary, said yes-

weeks ago when plans for an terday that as a minister he initial diplomatic meeting could not condemn Salman were cancelled at the last Rushdie's The Satanic Verses.

It is now known that the ers have shown no interest in

disclosure that it was to carrying ont the fatwa.

happen embarrassed President Rafsanjani, whose efforts as a serious setback, but were

to improve relations with probably intended as an an-

Conflicting statements by Iranian leaders this week sug-

gested an impasse, but in fact London and Tehran are mov-

ing towards each other. Public

figures who are not members

of the two governments are expected to have an exchange

of visits soon, while a meeting

between diplomats may take

place in a neutral country. A

negative impression of the

prospects has arisen because

newspapers cannot report pos-

The media inadvertently

caused the cancellation of a

meeting between Mr Jeremy

Greenstock, deputy political director at the Foreign Office,

and Mr Hussein Moussavian,

an Iranian counterpart, in

Dublin on May 16. At the time

Iran's reasons for calling off

the meeting, described by the Foreign Office as an initial "brush-past", were unclear.

Britain have aroused oppo-

It is understood that the two

mainly through surrogates.

sition from hardliners.

itive developments without

jeopardizing the talks.

This was seen as a rejection

of an offer the previous day by

Hojatoleslam Rafsanjani, who said: "If Mrs Thatcher con-

demns Rushdie's novel, there

will remain no problem in the

way of a resumption of ties."

However, the main thrust of both men's comments was conciliatory. President Raf-sanjani emphasized that he

still wanted a resumption of

diplomatic links, while Mr Hurd restated the Govern-

The Iranian leader sought to

distance the Tehran Govern-

ment from an uncompromis-

ing remark made by Avatollah

Ali Khamenei, who succeeded

Ayatollah Khomeini as prin-

cipal religious leader. Ayat-ollah Khumenei said on Tues-

day that Mr Rushdie should

be turned over to British

Muslims so that the death

sentence passed by Khomeini in 1989 could be carried out.

But most British Muslim lead-

swer to internal criticism

ment's respect for Islam.

salutation to it and bow on his knees even to the Soviet Union. Our people cannot but have a doubt about the attitude of the Kremlin which sat face-to-face with such a

Although the Soviet Union remains North Korea's main supplier of aid and arms, Pyongyang's ageing and reclusive leader, Mr Kim Il Sung. seems to have run out of patience with Moscow and its descent into détente.

His attack on Mr Gorb-achov emphasizes his isolation. Mr Kim has never really recovered from the bloody downfall last December of Nicolae Ceausescu, who ruled Romania in the sort of style that Mr Kim admires. He was stung when less hardline Eastern European nations ignored his call to boycott the 1988 Seoul Olympics.

While Japan's relations with the Soviet Union are still frosty because of rival claims to a string of small islands off normem Japan, Secul has exploited the opportunity to woo the cash-starved and investment-hungry Eastern bloc. The aim of this diplomacy is to drive a wedge between Pyongyang and Moscow that might speed up the reunification of the Korean

That has long been the goal of every South Korean leader. But while his Government's popularity is crumbling at home because of economic problems and labour unrest, the chance of being the man to succeed is even more attractive to Mr Rob. He may take Pyongyang's outburst as another milestone passed.

In Kuala Lumpur, the visiting Soviet Deputy Foreign Minister, Mr Igor Rogachev, said that Moscow would not abandon Pyongyang. "North Korea is our friend... is our ally, and we shall be loyal to our obligations." Mr Rogachev told reporters when he arrived for a two-day visit

to Malaysia. "When we undertake any actions in north-east Asia, of others injured when rebels of course we will take into the Liberation Tigers of Tamil consideration the legal in- Eelam opened fire on an army terests of North Korea," he patrol at Vavuniya in the said. Mr Rogachev said that it was now time to ease tension in the Korean peninsula and that Moscow would back all initiatives to reunite the two Koreas. Mr Rogachev said that no decision on setting up ties with South Korea had been made, but this could not

rather than as a diplomatic signal. They came a day after be ruled out. Moscow and Seoul had sides have since made en- the publication by an Iranian "developed a rather good cocouraging gestures to each newspaper of an interview other. They are engaged in a with Mr Ali Akbar Mohtash-diplomatic dance, conducted emi, the former Interior Minoperation in the economic sphere and this provides us with a good, solid base for emi, the former Interior Minister, who sharply criticized While the positive develop- the Government's efforts to something more in ments remain unseen, neg- improve links with the West. | future".

Punjab hit by attacks

Delhi - Sikh militants firing rocket grenades, light machine-guns, AK47 assault ri-fles and other automatic weapons launched a wave of attacks on guardposts and bombed railway lines in the northern state of Punjab to Army's raid on the Golden Temple at Amritsar in 1984. Three paramilitary troops died and four were wounded in the attacks on six police stations and paramilitary posts, and the bomb blasts cut rail links, the Press Trust of India said. (AFP)

Lima car bomb

Lima - Maoist Shining Path rebels in Peru exploded a car bomb near the Government Palace, the second blast in central Lima in 24 hours. Police said the attacks signalled an offensive linked to elections. (AP)

Police rescue

Dhaka - A police squad rescued 40 Bangladeshis, including eight women and 20 children, from two traffickers trying to smuggle them into India, probably to work as servants or prostitutes. The traffickers escaped. (Reuter)

Sudan air raid

Nairobi - Two aircraft bombed the southern Sudanese town of Torit, held by rebels of the Sudan People's Liberation Army, killing 20 people. (Reuter)

Fishermen lost

Tokyo - Eleven Japanese fishermen were missing and four were rescued after their hoat collided with a 10,986-tonne Norwegian freighter and

Rebel victim

Colombo - A Sri Lankan army corporal was shot dead and 10 island's Northern province.

Britons arrested

Lyons - French police arrested five Britons here for allegedly transporting a tonne of Moroccan hashish in their caravan. The five were not identified. (AFP)

Tornado strikes

Limen - A tornado tore through this farming community in Colorado and devastated a trailer park, injuring at least a dozen people. (AP)

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Vasser's son back in Cairo with his father's ghost

From Christopher Walker

TWENTY years after his death, the ghost of Gamal Abdel Nasser, Egypt's charismatic first President, came back to haunt his successors yesterday when his eldest son appeared before a heavily guarded, high-security court on terrorism charges for which the prosecution has demanded the death

The trial is the most politically sensitive in recent Egyptian history, with serious implications for the Arab-Israeli conflict. Two senior government ministers have already appeared as witnesses and President Mubarak, while regretting the involvement of Nasser's son, had pledged that he will not receive special

Despite the promise, Mr Khaled Abdel Nasser, an engineer aged 40,

who returned unannounced from selfexile in Yugoslavia on Wednesday night, was freed on bail of only 5,000 Egyptian pounds (£1,070) after pleading not guilty.

The prosecution opposed the bail application, arguing that Mr Nasserwas being granted favourable treatment by the court. But his lawyer, Mr Ahmed

Khawaga, stated that the accused had returned to Egypt of his own free will.
"His home address is known in Egypt.
We know his profession (and) I do not think ... he will escape," the lawyer

A relaxed, grey-suited Mr Nasser replied "not guilty, it did not happen" when asked to enter a plea to charges that, as a member of the group calling itself "Egypt's Revolution", he had plotted to kill American and Israeli diplomats in Cairo between 1984 and was being tried in absentia the proceedings took on increasingly political overtones as the defence sought to challenge Egypt's policy of tilting towards the United States, from which it receives annual aid of some US\$2.3 billion (£1.4 billion) and maintaining the 1979 peace treaty with Israel. One defending advocate described an Israeli observer, allowed into the court early in the hearing, as "an Israeli dog".

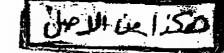
Mr Nasser, accompanied by his wife, Dalia, and two children, arrived unexpectedly at Cairo airport on Wednesday evening and turned himself over to a surprised group of passport officers. He spent the night in a holding cell before being driven to court in a private car, unlike the other defendants who went in a convoy of police waggons. An airport security

was very calm and said 'I have come to give myself up and stand trial to prove my innocence to the Egyptian people'."

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Mr Nasser, renowned for his close links with Libya, is also regarded as something of a hero by the Palestine Liberation Organization, which invited him as star guest to the historic meeting of its parliament-in-exile in Algiers in November, 1988, at a time hen he was already being described

as Egypt's most wanted fugitive. "It is hard to see how the shaky Government of President Mubarak would contemplate executing a man with such wide popular appeal as Nasser's eldest son," a Western security official said. "The peace treaty with Israel is not stable or popular enough to carry a martyr with a name like that."





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t is a paradox that the English are giving up eating the roast beef of old England for fear of catching spongy-brain disease. How could the Rosbifs tell the difference, since their brains are evidemment spongy to start with anyway? No, that is not a paradox. It is a bad racist joke from a French bla-bla blat or gutter tabloid. It shows that the sloppy use of "paradox" to draw attention to what one is saying is a journalistic vice on both sides of the Channel. Paradox is one of those words that journalists let off like a firework, to make a bang more than to illuminate. What more than "it is a rum thing that", or "wake up there at the back of the class, this is going to be a joke". If you have to signal a joke by sending up a rocket, it cannot be a very good joke. Even journos, those peacocks of prose, are dimly aware that others may not read our work with the loving attention that we devote to our cuttingsbooks. So we try to impress our readers by the use of fireworks like "paradoxically". Readers see through the artifice.

Paradox is one of the oldest technical terms in the world. It has a precise meaning, literally "against belief". It was introduced into western vocabulary 25 centuries ago by the first sophists. Socrates, scripted by Plato, made paradox one of his main tools to confound his opponents. They found themselves believing two or more contradictory things, up to their noses in the moussaka without a spoon. Here is the old tease at work with paradox: "If a person shows that such things as wood, stones, and the like, being many are also one, we admit that he shows the coexistence of the one and many, but he does not show that the many are one or the one many; he is uttering not a paradox but a truism." Quite enough of that, dear boy.

In the strict sense, a paradox is a statement or phenomenon apparently inconsistent with itself (or with what is theoretically reasonable). Full-blooded paradoxes exist when some statement needed for logic can apparently be both proved and disproved. Some of the wide-boys of early philosophy made a living entirely by para-doxes, to bewilder their audiences in the way that Victorian con-jurors did. Epimenides from Crete had a success that is still with us with his "liar paradox": "All Cretans are liars." The statement "I am lying" is true only if it is false, and false if it is true. Bertrand Russell made use of the old Cretan's liar paradox to show that certain formulations of words, though grammatically cor-

rect, are logically nonsense.

Zeno of Elea (the modern
Castellammare di Bruce on the Tyrrhenian coast of southern Italy) was another wide-boy who made a good living from paradoxes, some of which survive.

You remember the Achilles and the tortoise paradox? Swift-footed Achilles, the fastest sprinter of antiquity, is challenged to a race by a tortoise. He gives the tortoise a start, but then finds that he can never overtake it. By the time that Achilles has charged up to the place where the tortoise started from, old Slow-and-Steady has plodded on for a short distance. When Achilles, shouting and sweating, has covered that short distance, the tortoise has moved some more. The argument can be repeated indefinitely. Although the successive stages become shorter, and are covered ever more quickly, at the end of any given stage Achilles is still behind the tortoise. How can he reach the end of an endless series of stages? So Achilles never overtakes the tortoise. (Note, however, that the tortoise never crosses the finishing line, unless it has been placed by a handicapper more judicious than such useless officials generally are.)

Other golden oldies of Zeno are the flying arrow paradox, which argues that, since at any moment an arrow occupies a definite position, and since between two moments there is nothing but other moments, the arrow can only be in positions and never move from one to another. A paradox, a paradox, a most in-genious paradox. W.S. Gilbert, a careful writer, used paradox in a reasonably philosophical sense. Frederic, although aged 21, turns out to be only five when counting birthdays, because he was born on

Zeno's grain of millet paradox argues that a grain of Grape Nuts falling on the kitchen floor makes no sound, but a thousand Grape Nuts (funny name, when you think about it) make a definite sound, followed shortly by shouts of grief and rage; so a thousand which is absurd.

The plain man's way to rebuff these paradoxes is that of bluff Dr Johnson, taking off his cutaway coat, and starting to sprint pon-derously: "I refute it [puif puif] thus." (That was an inexact use of

Would the world be a better place if run by philosophers? Plato demonstrated devastatingly that it would not when he had a go at running the world from Sicily. But it would be going too far to insist that modern journalists should always use paradox in its precise philosophical sense. It would be going too far for the editor to ban the word in his style guide. Freedom of speech applies to vocabulary as well as to ideas. But an alarm signal should go off whenever we think of using paradox. It is a fine word with a long history. Shakespeare, magnificent hack, used it in its loose modern sense, pleased with his shiny new word: "You undergo too strict a paradox, / Striving to make an ugly deed look fair."

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ALAN COREN

¬ he Kenyan state of emergency notwithstanding, I spent the autumn of 1953 doing the foxtrot. Also waltz and quickstep. Despite the best efforts of the Mau Mau to interfere, my lissom partner and I passed every Friday evening locked in romantic ensemble, dancing across the polished parquet of our elegant Palmers Green trysting-place, and murmuring into one another's ears such little nonsenses as dancers do.

Which, by the by, is how I first met Humphrey Lyttelton and Wally Fawkes; two brilliant polymaths whom, years later, I was to employ in their other capacities, and so happily that nobody seeing us together would ever have realized that one of them had once told me what he proposed to do with his clarinet if I ever again inter-rupted a performance of Trog's Blues, nor that the other h ribaldly added that it was the duty of the brass to accompany the woodwind, wherever it chose to blow. I met them because this lurid offer was made in the rehearsal chamber directly above our little ballroom, connected to it by a staircase up which my partner had just dispatched me.

'You tell them buggers we can't hear ourselves dance," my partner had said. "You inform em there is nothing in the book says musicians has to hang their feet on the floor all the

No sooner had I scuttled down again than the band struck up its revenge. King Porter Stomp rattled the casements. Plaster settled on our waltzing shoulders, like eau-de-Nil scurf. My partner said "right", lifted the Dansette arm from the disc, and dashed out. Suddenly, remarkably, the noise above my head faded to a

What did you say?" I inquired, as, blissfully reunited, we floated through Charmaine. "Nothing," said my partner, reversing sleekly, "I just give 'em a look."

It reflects naught upon the courage of jazzers that one look had been enough. My partner was built like a Martello tower. Against the neckless head, a busy life had flattened nose and ears alike, while fists of hirsute

rock and a tell-tale way of easing his shoulders suggested that Mr Ronga considered it even more ed to give than to receive. He had been a sergeant in the

Parachute Regiment; but, despite his heroic service to King and country, neither would let him kill anybody after VI day, so he chucked in the beret and set himself up as a dance instructor. My mother found him in The Palmers Green Gazette. I was 15, and it was time I learned to dance. I would thank her one day.

I enrolled for the bronze medal course. If successful, I might be allowed to enrol in the silver, and learn the tango. Not the rumba. You had to have a gold medal to do the rumba in public. If you attempted the rumba without a gold medal, Edmundo Ros would send the boys round.

In a moment, you will find out why I am telling you all this. When my first lesson was over, my partner shook his huge head and told me I should have to buck my ideas up, due to where, any day now, it was on the cards the Paras would be asked to go and sort out Kenya, in which case he might very likely rejoin. Time was of the name. In consequence, we used only three records, all by Victor Sylvester, so that I could gear my movements by rote to every familiar chord. Furthermore, Mr Rongo would see to it that my feet would not betray me by touching the ground. Biceps like cricket balls would carry me through. I can feel them still.

The inspector arrived the week before Christmas. He had a briefcase. He took three records out of it. I heard, cheek to cheek, my partner's teeth grind. "The bastard has brought his own music!" he muttered. He dropped me, shimmied across to the inspector, glanced at his labels. "Joe Loss?" he said. "Joe Loss? We don't do

Joe Loss here. We do Victor The inspector opened his mouth; but shut it again. My partner had given him a look. Not only did I get a strict tempo, I also got the medal. I am telling you all this because, just as I was about to tell you something else. I heard that Joe Loss had died, and it all came back.

William Waldegrave replies to Vernon Bogdanor's criticism of Foreign Office policy

How Britain helped the dissidents

et's plan foreign policy. Thus the enticing head-line to Vernon Bogdanor's critique of British foreign policy on this page on Tuesday. I hoped to find the explanation of why the slogan might still be in fashion, unlike "Let's plan the economy" or "Let's plan society". Alas, as I read the article curiosity turned to a resignation as weary as Mr Bogdanor's prescriptions.

What made me choke over my cornflakes, however, was the allegation that in Central and Eastern Europe, Britain had preferred to restrict diplomatic intercourse to governments", and neglected "regular contacts with dissidents". Mr Bogdanor's asser-tion is just false, unfair not only to my ministerial predecessors, but to British embassy staff and a fair cross-section of newly installed ministers in the East.
In Poland in 1984 my predecessor Malcolm Rifkind was the

first Western minister to visit the grave of the murdered Father Jerzy Popieluszko, two days after the funeral. His example is still seen in Poland as a pioneering eesture of defiance to the old regime, and it set the standard for a succession of subsequent Western visitors. He also met some of the leading Warsaw-based mem-

bers of Solidarity. They included the present Polish Prime Minister, Tadeusz Mazowiecki, and one of his new ministers. Embassy staff from the ambassador down were in regular touch with Solidarity activists, including Lech Walesa. In Czechoslovakia British dip-

komats saw Charter 77 and other human rights activists throughout the 1980s. My predecessor, Tim Renton, met several in 1987 at the home of Denis Keefe, our second secretary in the Prague embassy. More than 50 Czechoslovak dissidents, including Vaclav Havel and the present Foreign Minister. Jiri Diensthier, attended a farewell party for Mr Keefe in early 1988. This March he was invited back to Prague for a party thrown by Charter 77 to celebrate the "velvet revolution". Also invited was Tricia Holland, a diplomat expelled last year for her contacts with the opposition. Jan Carno-garsky had our vigorous support at the time of his last trial, which took place as the revolution began. He went straight from court to

become deputy prime minister. In Hungary, British officials were on close terms with leading members of the opposition for several years before Kadar's fall. Two prominent dissidents were asked to join Sir Geoffrey Howe

for a meal at our embassy in 1987. The senior Communist Party officials there found the occasion uncomfortable, and The Times hailed our initiative as testing the

limits of Hungarian glasnost. In Romania Britain's ambassador was manhandled by Ceausescu's Securitate while trying to visit the courageous Doing Cornea at her bome in Cluj. In Timisoara, we were there at the start. A British diplomat had a shouted conversation with Pastor (now Bishop) Tokes across a barrier of Securitate men the day before the Romanian revolution began. Several Romanian dissidents have since said that it was only the attention they had from British and other Western embassies that enabled them to survive. In East Germany our ambassador and his staff had close contacts over several years with figures in the Protestant church (then the focus of political opposition), including the present Minister of Disarmament and Defence, but also including many others (Hulsemann, Simon, Passeur, Hirsch, Poppe, Pastorin, Misselwitz and so on).

Mr Bogdanor has got it spectacularly wrong. It is equally non-sensical of him to suggest that the Foreign Office assumed that the

support". The Foreign Office conducted business that needed to be conducted with communist regimes, but pursued a policy of keeping in touch with organized opposition groups and individual dissidents to demonstrate that we did not endorse the claims of their rulers to popular legitimacy. That is why it is so pleasant to travel now in Eastern Europe as a British minister: there is goodwill wher-

ever you go.
From initially shaky premises,

Mr Bogdanor accuses the Foreign Office of not foreseeing develop-ments in Central and Eastern Europe. Who did? The dissidents themselves? Tell that to New Forum in the newly obsolescent East Germany. I must have missed all those articles a year or so ago predicting the order and timescale in which the dominoes would fall. Like it or not, foreign policy is often a matter of reacting to sudden events, but I agree with Mr Bogdanor that broad goals are important. The goal of our policy

towards the countries of Central and Eastern Europe in the late 1980s was their evolution towards full sovereignty and political and economic freedom. The strategy was to acknowledge their separate

human rights; to offer moral support and encouragement to those working for democratic change; and to make our values

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and way of life more widely known. The strategy is now one of close contact with new democratic governments and support for political and economic reform. The Foreign Office is reassigning people and funds for this. However, we strongly support "conditionality" relating support to progress made towards freedom. We therefore retain reservations about Romania and Bulgaria.

Nor do I agree that policy-making is as devoid of external inputs as Mr Bogdanor appears to imply. The Foreign Office maintains an extensive range of contacts with academics, journalists and other commentators. Our Policy Planning Staff are in close touch with organizations like the Royal Institute for International Affairs and the International Institute for Strategic Studies. This is not to say that we would not welcome contact with other institutions of the kind Mr Bogdanor suggests. We are happy to take part in a wide-ranging debate, so long as it is well-informed. The author is Minister of State at

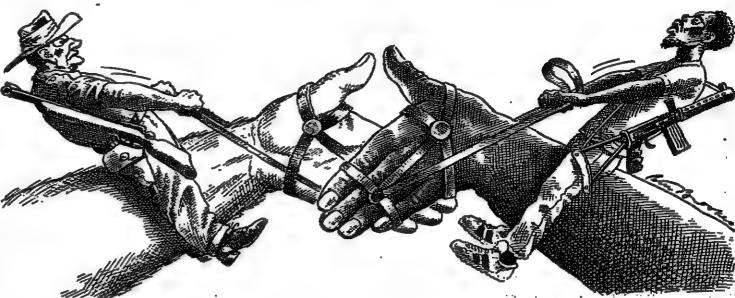
After the emergency, a state of dangerous expectation

resident de Klerk's de-cision to lift the state of emergency in the Transvaal, Cape and Orange Free State goes a long way towards meeting one of the key conditions laid down by the African National Congress for further progress in negotiations. At the same time, the decision to leave the emergency in force in Natal emphasizes just how intractable the problem of political violence in South Africa has become

When the state of emergency was first imposed by President P.W. Botha in July 1985, the country had been in a state of quasi-revolutionary ferment for two years. The ANC and its local supporters in the United Democratic Front (UDF) had taken up the cry that they would "make South Africa ungovernable", and the major African areas with strikes, riots, repeated clashes with the police, school and consumer boycotts and a sustained attempt to extirpate the network of police informers in the townships The intention of the ANC and

UDF at the time was to establish "people's power", that is, effectively to turn townships into "liberated areas", complete with street committees enforcing law and order, and people's courts dispensing summary justice. This was only ever patchily achieved, and the excesses of the people's courts and the dreadful practice of necklacing did considerable harm to the liberation movement's image. But the ANC and UDF were never wholly in control of the gathering wave of popular protest of 1983-85. They tended to take credit and responsibility, to claim leadership and give direction, but they were riding a tiger.

The emergency brought all this to a halt. UDF leaders were rounded up by the hundred; the street committees, people's courts and other burgeoning structures within the townships were immobilized or smashed, and doubtless a new network of informers was begun. But the emergency was an answer purely to a security problem, not to a political one, and it showed no way ahead. Moreover, it brought no halt to the war for political territory that had begun



R.W. Johnson asks if the black and white leaders moving to

agreement in South Africa can carry their supporters with them

almost simultaneously in Natal ers and teachers have already been miscreant youths in ANC T-shirts between the UDF and Chief

Buthelezi's Inkatha movement. The lifting of the emergency will not restore the status quo ante. De Klerk's historic speech of February 2 has been followed by sporadic explosions of violence all round the country, in which many hundreds have died, some in the Natal fighting, some in political conflicts between the ANC and its Pan-Africanist rivals, some in taxi-wars, some in racial clashes between whites and Africans (as in Welkom) or between Africans and Indians (around Durban), and many, it seems, as a result of private or local vendettas of which

we know little. More generally, the freeing of political activity and the feeling that the day of the white man's old restraints is passing seems to have engendered a heady rise in black expectations, a determination not to be last in the queue, and, in many cases, a rush to grab longcoveted property or territory from ethnic or political opponents. There is a general complaint of rapidly rising crime-rates as the same sort of grab is made more indiscriminately. Hospital workon strike, and the miners are talking about it, as the same spirit of boldness permeates the workforce, despite the high levels of black unemployment.

he government, the ANC and the UDF have begun to denounce the "criminal elements" in chorus. The ANC has repeatedly appealed for calm, for children to go back to school and ANC leaders such as Terror" Lekota have bitterly denounced "youths who think they can get up to any criminal mischief so long as they are wearing an ANC T-shirt". So far this has had limited effect. Part of the problem is that the ANC is still far from building a disciplined mass organization on the ground - after all, the whole thrust of government policy over 30 years

has been to prevent just that. But the ANC has been rather slow-moving politically, and the suspicion exists that many ANC cadres are keener on giving militant speeches at rallies than on the hard work of building a mass membership organization. This rally style of politics caters to the

of whom Mr Lekota speaks. encouraging a sporadic, highadrenalin and essentially shallow form of political commitment.

The sensational result of the Umlazi by-election suggests, moreover, that Mr de Klerk too may be suffering a drift towards political impotence. For if Andries Treumicht's Conservative Party can come within 600 votes of victory in a predominantly English-speaking, safe Nationalist seat like Umlazi it is poised to romp to victory throughout the Transvaal and Orange Free State. Already opinion polls are showing over 50 per cent of Afrikaners behind the CP, a fact which could fatally undermine Mr de Klerk. Indeed, one has to ask whether de Klerk will be able to win the referendum on constitutional change he has promised white voters at the end of the negotiation process.

Hence the real worry of postemergency politics: the govern-ment and ANC have drawn steadily closer together on one issue after another, but show a diminishing ability to pull their followers along with them. Together they are coming to form a

political centre - and the centre may not hold. Already Mr de Klerk is dogged by his somewhat shaky ability to get the police to behave as he would wish - for without doubt the large majority of the police support the CP. And the ANC have, in effect, no realistic alternative to offer to a continuing army presence in the strife-torn Natal townships.

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As in the Soviet Union, after a long period of repression and brutally centralized rule there follows a happy turn towards clasnost and perestroika. This lifts the lid on all manner of groups and pressures struggling for a new existence. Gradually the focus on the heroic Gorbachov-de Klerk figure fades and the speculation as to who or what will exercise centralized rule begins to give way to the awful realization that there may be no party or coalition able to deliver majorities necessary to run the country under its brave new democratic dispensation. South Africa is, happily, some way from the breakdown of civil society that the Soviet Union seems to face - but how the emerging de Klerk-Mandela co-alition fares, unbuttressed by emergency rule, will soon shed light on whether South Africa too must travel that fateful road. The author is a Fellow of Magdalen College, Oxford.

Own goals all round

The advertising agency D'Arcy Masius Benton and Bowles has come up with an imaginative scheme to combat football hooliganism which takes literally the much-quoted dictum that violence is an own goal against the game. It hopes to persuade all league clubs to score an own goal on the first Saturday of next season, so that these can be filmed and made into an antihooliganism commercial. A precedent by England's Steve McMahon in the friendly game against a Sardinia Select this week was engineered by the agency in association with the Football Association, and was much appreciated by the Italian authorities and fans as a statement of intent.
"If the England squad are prepared to do it, why shouldn't the league clubs? asks Graham Hinton, joint chairman of the agency. But the Football League, though still shamefaced over the outcome of its refusal last month to postpone the Bournemouth match at which Leeds fans went on the rampage, is opposing the commercials. Assistant Secretary Andy Williamson says: wouldn't endorse that sort of stunt in a competitive match. It would undermine the game itself." But the agency is undeterred. Its proposed campaign has financial backing from the FA, and it is seeking further spousosship for the ads from, among others, brewers. "The Football League is missing the point," says Hinton. "We need maximum impact and

Nothing, it seems, is too much trouble for the newly installed Argentine ambassador when it comes to making friends with the British. After visiting Buckingham Palace on Tuesday, Señor Mario Campora and his entourage returned home in the Palace's three state coaches. Determined to extend the olive branch to all and sundry, he treated the Palace's surary, ne tremes and champagne, coachmen to a glass of champagne, whereafter a footman appeared with a silver salver bearing carrots and sugar cubes for the horses.

One for the panel

ome artistic fakes are more acceptable than others. When the Queen Mother opens the courtaild's new gallery in Somer-set House next week, she may wonder why the faded mono-curome goddesses and cheruts on the ceiling look familiar. Where could she have seen them before? At Burlington House, in full colour, is the answer.

When the Royal Academy moved to Burlington House in 1869, it removed the ceiling panels from Somerset House Fine Rooms, and installed them in its new home. In the early 1970s, the Property Services Agency under-took some restoration of the Fine Rooms, and with a limited budget hit upon the cut-price but imaginative solution of sticking blackand-white photographs of the

panels on the ceiling. Dr Dennis Farr, director of the Courtauld Galleries, said yesterday: "We toved with the idea of getting a skilled copyist to re-produce the originals, or using laser prints, as they have in the Queen's House at Greenwich, but time and money were short, and



the results might have looked worse than the PSA's photo-graphs. People will think they are grisaille or something like that."

Over-30s club

spiring novelists clutching their umpteenth rejection A their umpteenth rejection letter need weep alone no more. Help is at hand from the Society of Rejected Writers, newly set up to offer sustenance, support and Kleenex to the unpublished. There is only one qualification for memoership: a minimum of 30 publishers' rejection slips. The group, first launched in New York, has received a warm welcome on this side of the Atlantic. Richard Adams, of Watership Down fame, says he wishes it had existed to ease his early experi-ences of rejection. "I would ask my wife to go and collect the rejected manuscript from the pubher." he remembers, although his tally of seven thumbs-down would not gain him membership. Had the group been set up earlier it might have helped the American novelist John Kennedy Toole, who committed suicide before publication of A Confederacy of Dunces, for which he was posthu-

mously awarded a Pulitzer prize. "It received an awful lot of rejection letters, enough to depress him severely," says a spokeswoman for his British publishers, Viking. The scriptwriter Barry Cryer is less sure of the group's merits. encourages negative thinking," he argues; and surely the number of rejections required seems excessively high. After the recent spate ers, will there be enough rejecting companies to go round?

They've rejected my application for membership



Another full house

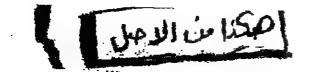
new alliance between the worlds of property developers and playwrights is being forged today, when Alan Ayckbourn attends a topping-out ceremony for a block of flats being named in his honour in his adopted home town of Scarborough. Keen to strike one for the playwights, Ayckbourn overcame his usual aversion to being

assume you're deceased," he says, but I was prepared to take the risk with the flats, as there had been a vote by local people for the name, and I felt it would be rather churlish to refuse." As he dons a hard hat for the ceremony at "Ayckbourn Chapters" today, he has just one quibble. "'Ayckbourn scenes' or 'acts' might have been more suitable," he says.

Sweet Williams hirley Williams and power

dressing? About as unlikely as the Archbishop of Canterbury appearing in Coronation Street, you might think. But according to the July issue of Harpers & Queen, the former MP, who won awards in her days in the SDP as the worst-dressed woman in public life, has smartened up her image. Newly tidied and coiffed, Williams, who was once described as displaying a "charming wind-tunnel-effect", is now enjoying the academic life teaching politics at Harvard, "In America you have to look like a glamorous model of older women's clothes to be taken seriously," she says. Of her less than impeccable appearance in the past, she adds: "It was a foolish mistake. I should have realized that you have to conform to that extent. I recognize now that there are some things you can't get away with." Williams will spend another three years at Harvard, but insists that she keeps in touch with British politics. She is reticent about any future position, but gives Neil Kinnock full credit for the changes in the Labour Party. She also concedes: "There might be a role for me in the Upper House." As a immortalized in stone. "People . Labour minister perhaps?

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ARMED TRUCE OVER BSE

The spectre of protectionism has once again passed over the European Community, only to be banished for the moment by yesterday's deal in Brussels. Once Italy and Germany joined France in banning British beef, ostensibly to limit the spread of bovine spongiform encephalopathy (BSE), the danger that the British would retaliate became acute. The European Commission's order to lift the ban was ignored. After much midnight oil had been burnt, the British agriculture secretary, Mr John Gummer, grudgingly agreed yesterday to an elaborate system of certification. This will place strict controls on the export of carcasses, and animals from herds affected by BSE will be identified as such.

Despite this sensible compromise, nobody emerges from the preceding quarrel with much credit. Mr Gummer has been forced to concede, in effect, that too little is known about BSE for politicians to dare eschew the caution of the Community's veterinary committee: "In the light of present knowledge, meat derived from bovine animals in countries in which BSE occurs is not considered to be a danger to public health." That stops short of Mr Gummer's ever more indignant declaration that "British beef is entirely safe".

A vow of silence might now do much for Mr Gummer's standing at home. Consumers, having been assured that everything possible was already being done by the Government to safeguard their interests, are now confronted with new and much stricter controls: but for the benefit of foreign beef-eaters, not domestic ones. Unlike his colleague at Agriculture, Mr Kenneth Clarke, the minister responsible for the nation's health, has been reticent on this

matter. It is time the country heard from him. The French agriculture minister, M Henri Nailet, does not emerge unscathed either. He has done nothing to allay the suspicion that French farmers have concealed the extent of BSE among their own herds, since compensation from M Nallet's ministry has not so far been forthcoming. The question of whether BSE is absent from France is still open. Long before the French ban, a Greek expert from the Pasteur Institute in Athens, M Georges Mezelas, had suggested that undetected but diseased cattle were being sold and eaten on the Continent, though he now admits that no cases have yet been found. If he and other European vets were aware of this possibility, how could M Nallet's officials be ignorant? Until French cattle farmers and slaughterers are subject to the same rigorous inspections as those now imposed on Britain, importers are entitled to regard French beef as suspect.

The French Government's motives are less pardonable, but no less transparent than those of Herr Ignaz Kiechle, the West German agriculture minister. Herr Kiechle was under strong pressure to stigmatize British imports from the German Farmers' Union (DBV), whose leader Constantin Freiherr Heereman has demanded a ban on the import of calves as well as of beef and cattle over six months old. If even a single infected animal were to cross the Channel, he remarked on Wednesday, "the consequences could be incalculable", Chancellor Kohl knows that this sordid squabble may delay the single market. But it is election year in West Germany. The DBV's members are even more precious to Herr Kohl and his Bavarian allies, who include Herr Kiechle, than British farmers are to the Tories.

The European Commission emerges with no credit at all, having again left it to ministers to sort out a compromise. Blame for this does not attach to the agriculture commissioner, Mr Raymond MacSharry, but to his French chief, M Jacques Delors, whose failure to condemn his compatriots' unilateral defiance of Mr MacSharry has been noticeable. If M Delors is to rebut convincingly the charge of partiality, he should worry less about his political future back home and support his own commissioners. Mutual fear of a trade war, which would have been damaging for all concerned, has triumphed over national egotism. But there should be no illusions about the readiness of member states to place the Community's interests before their own.

TANGO FOR TWO

The world does not willingly turn its villains into heroes. Although it has not been grudging in granting the laurel to President Gorbachov, its embarrassment over the need to revise long held opinions is more acute when it comes to the man with whom the Soviet leader is often compared, President de Klerk of South Africa. Yet on all available evidence, including his remarkable speech in Cape Town yesterday, it can be argued that Mr de Klerk has shown more leadership and strength of purpose than his Soviet counterpart in his bid to outpace the

The dangers he faces at the hands of that constituency were graphically demonstrated by the result of this week's Umlazi by-election which, if translated nationally, would give Mr de Klerk no hope of winning a white election and little chance of victory in a white referendum on any new constitution.

Far from stopping dead in his reforming tracks, however, the South African leader ignored both the advice of his security chiefs and the signals from the voters to announce the end of the four-year-old state of emergency, thus demolishing the African National Congress's major obstacle to negotiation. Like the master poker player he is, he not only saw the ANC's bid but also raised it. He announced the release of yet another clutch of "political prisoners" and disclosed that the joint working party set up by the Government and the ANC had reached agreement on the remaining obstacles (as defined by the ANC) to the start of real talks about South Africa's future.

For the first time, the President also revealed some justified impatience with the ANC's dilatoriness and with the confused signals which Mr Nelson Mandela is sending to a world which is giving him another hero's welcome. It is an impatience which those Western leaders serious about a just and viable settlement in South Africa would do well to insinuate into their conversations with the ANC leader during his propaganda tour in favour of continued sanctions.

Many in the West, not least within the British Labour Party, still believe that South Africa must go through some purifying fire of

revolutionary conflict before they can quite regard it as even tolerably on the road to reform. If this means an ensuing wasteland of blood and economic recession, too bad. (This is not, apparently, a principle these enthusiasts apply to the white states of Eastern Europe. trading with them as murderous dictatorships or timid reformers.)

More sensible observers should heed the result of the Natal by-election and realize that, whatever Mr Mandela may feel himself obliged to say, neither he nor Mr de Klerk now has time on his side. The opposi rejection and white reaction are on the march. The alternative to Mr de Klerk's peace process is increasingly plain to see: not some smartsuited moderate ANC government but civil war between hard-eyed young comrades of the Pan Africanist Congress and the big guns of a government led by Dr Andries Treurnicht of the Conservative Party.

Mr Mandela will not hear this message in the United States, where concern for South Africa's future has long been trivialized into a vehicle for keeping anti-apartheid campaigners in funds and black politicians in office. The burden of sense thus falls on other Western leaders, who should match Mr de Klerk's courage with their own. However painful it might be to the more casual of their liberal supporters, they should tell Mr Mandela that he cannot praise Mr de Klerk's integrity in one breath and call for continued sanctions with the next. The South African President has met his and their conditions for the lifting of sanctions. He now badly needs relief to assist him with his right wing back home.

Finally, they should tell the ANC leader that his place in history will be secured not by holding gospel concerts for New York's Transit Authority - one projected engagement during his American visit - but across the negotiating table in Cape Town. If he fails to seize the moment, South Africa's former martyr could sacrifice any hope of being its future leader. For that advice, Mr Mandela may have to wait until he visits the ANC's former friends in Moscow. There he might find a leader who recognizes the dangers of unrewarded reform.

OLDER AND WISER

"Age, I do abhor thee; youth, I do adore thee." Britain's personnel directors seem to agree with Shakespeare's Passionate Pilgrim. A survey carried out by Gallup for Brook Street has found that British companies are fishing from an ever-decreasing pool of young workers, while still disdaining their elders.

No fewer than 86 per cent of the personnel directors interviewed preferred candidates aged under 35. Young people, they said, were less set in their ways, comfortable with new technology and fitted the companies' "trendy, dynamic image". Those over 50 tended to be rejected for having less stamina, being more resistant to change and - well - grey.

Yet behind dynamic youth can he folly, rashness and irresponsibility. Grey hairs may seem staid, but they often accompany maturity, steadfastness, conscientiousness and loyalty. If older people are not familiar with new technology, it may be because they have never had a chance to learn, not that they are incapable of mastering it.

The saddest victims of ageism have been those in their fifties and sixties who were in middle-management jobs a decade ago. In their youth, they accepted low pay and humble work in the full expectation that, when they reached middle age, they would be rewarded by senior jobs. Instead, many found themselves being made redundant or passed over in favour

of younger colleagues. A combination of recession and Thatcherite policies forced many companies to streamline their working practices in the Eighties. Some middle-aged managers may have been 100 Luddite in their thinking to be able to adapt. But if the youngsters who replaced them were happier to change their ways, were they as successful at managing in the new climate? Not necessarily, as the rash of business failures among young companies has shown.

The best basis for any appointment is merit. Young people should not be held back in their careers because of their age, as they still are in many parts of the public sector. Nor should older people be ruled out. Some may be fazed by computers; others may delight in learning about them.

In the US, France and Canada, employers are now not allowed to discriminate against older applicants in job advertisements. In Britain, recruitment advertisements still frequently state that "those over 45 need not apply". Such wording is as offensive as stating that blacks or women will not be considered. The latter enjoy the protection of laws against sex and race discrimination. Perhaps, if an employer is prejudiced against older people. then they might as well be spared the bother of applying. But meeting a dynamic, computerliterate 50-year-old in the flesh may be just what a personnel director needs to dispel his or her preconceptions.

The changing age composition of the population is already throwing up a shortage of young workers and thus impelling industry in the direction of previously disadvantaged groups. But the free market is not enough to end the unnecessary offence of age discrimination. As with other forms of blanket discrimination, ageism merits the condemnation of the law.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Stalker and the **RUC** inquiry From Sir Lawrence Byford

Sir, I refer to the drama documentary "Shoot to Kill" from Yorkshire Television (review, June 4).

May I, as the then Chief Inspector of Constabulary, set the record straight as to the events leading to Mr Stalker's suspension as Deputy Chief Constable of Greater Manchester and his ro-moval from the Northern Ireland

In May 1986 the Greater Manchester Police Authority launched an investigation relating to Mr Stalker. An authority may only take informal action in such matters if it is satisfied that the conduct complained of, even if proved, would not justify a criminal or discipline charge". It followed that a senior police officer from another force had to be appointed to conduct the investigation which was super-vised by the independent Police Complaints Authority (the public's watchdog in such matters), who also authorised the suspen-sion from duty of Mr Stalker. In these circumstances and not

surprisingly, Mr Stalker could nolonger continue the Northern Ireland inquiry and he was re-placed by Mr Sampson, the then Chief Constable of the West Yorkshire Police, who, as anticipated, finalised the Northern Ireland investigation expeditiously using the team of Manchester detectives which had previously been under the direction of Mr Stalker. This should surely dispel the notion that Mr Stalker's removal from the investigation was part of an "establishment cover-up". Nothing could be further from the truth in that the action taken was to protect the investigation from being sullied by the unfortunate circumstances concerning Mr Stalker. Imagine the criticism that would have ensued had Mr Stalker been allowed to continue in Ulster and the allegations against him had then become public knowledge at

a critical stage of the investigation. Furthermore I can firmly refute the ongoing speculation that these events involved Ministers and/or senior civil servants. The first they knew of the decision to refer the matters to the appropriate authorities in Manchester and Belfast was when I briefed them at a later stage and thereafter, following the usual practice, I kept them in-formed of developments.

Yours faithfully, LAWRENCE BYFORD (Chief Inspector of Constabulary (1983-87)), Overseas House, Park Place. St James's Street, SW1.

Education funding

From the President of the Society of Education Officers

Sir, Your leading article on "Staffroom rhetoric" (June 1) does less than justice to the need for adequate funding for main-tained schools. The essential question is whether the money available to schools is sufficient to undertake the tasks with which

they are now charged. There is no objective evidence that schools are over-funded, and a good deal to show to the contrary, especially in the adequacy of school buildings, administration and clerical support staff, and time for curriculum planning and assessment for primary school teachers. None of these is capable of resolution by improved management and redeployment of resources alone. Further evidence that we are certainly not over-funding our schools is shown by comparisons with international competitors, and levels of funding

in the private sector.

Schools are now faced with the implementation of the National Curriculum. We wish to make a success of this reform and to see that every child receives the full benefit of a broad curriculum. including science and technology, from the age of five to 16. Expectations are being raised. If they are to be fulfilled then there is a price to be paid, namely a proper investment in our future generation through the public education

Yours faithfully ANDREW COLLIER, President, Society of Education Officers, 21-27 Lambs Conduit Street. London, WCI.

Tiananmen killings From Dr Han Suyin

June 4.

Sir, Your Diary item of June 2 maintains that I refused to condemn the killings in Tianammen

May I quote from my recent book, Tigers and Butterflies (Earthscan), page 237, which re-produces my article of November, 1989, published in Hong Kong, I wrote: "the killing and wounding of innocent people ... cannot be condoned" (emphasis as in the original).

My concern for all countries is self-determination, including China, and this is the unifying theme of Tigers and Butterflies. I resent the new kind of interference which seems to dictate the course of nations through outside agitation, subversion, monetary or otherwise. I am sure the British people would also resent this kind of "new" interference.

Sincerely. HAN SUYIN. c/o Earthscan Publications Ltd. 3 Endsleigh Street, WC1.

Need for reform of party finances

From Mr Richard S. Rowntree Sir, You are right to imply on the Owen legacy (leading article, June
4) that without changes in the
British electoral system it will not
be practical for the Labour Party to sever its constitutional links with the trade unions. Yet the maintenance of these links will not only continue to be a scrious electoral handicap for the Labour Party, but even more important remain as a hindrance to the establishment of a proper measure of union influence in the affairs of

the country irrespective of the

party in power.

It is now very important that all political parties should recognise that the most orgently required reform of our electoral system is not some form of proportional representation. Certainly, this remains an area about which there is much disagreement. It is, how-ever, impossible for anybody concerned for the political and economic health of our country to deny the need for changes in the pattern of financing political par-ties and elections. The financial dependence of the two effective political parties on industry and the trade unions is a disaster for our country as it bolsters the two sides' mentality in labour relations, which is probably the main

failure. The solution is not the limitless state funding of politics, but a Pickerin carefully designed system to June 4.

match individual financial contributions to political parties with State funds up to a limit determined in part by the proportion of votes the parties have received at the preceding election.

elections.

Thus the whole level of public participation in the processes of democracy would be raised through an increased sense of responsibility for the political party of one's choice and a curbing of the present unhealthy tendency to replace the influence of rea-soned argument with the power of professional advertising.

Detailed proposals of this kind were in fact worked out in the 1981 report entitled Paying for Politics by the multi-party Hansard Society Commission of which I was a member. Its detailed recommendations need bringing up to date, but in broad outline they represent an essential reform of a kind that should now be welcomed by all parties.

cause of our national economic Kingthorpe House, Pickering, North Yorkshire.

From Mr J. E. Birnie

Sir, Your political obituary for Dr Owen and his party (lender, June 4) neglected one achievement which although it may now appear insignificant could in the long run have a great impact for good. In 1989 the SDP became the first UK. national party to fully endorse the principle that those parties which aspire to govern the UK should contest elections in all parts of the UK (including Northern Ireland).

(report, May 19) the SDP shared with the Conservatives the honour of being the first national parties to fight a parliamentary election in Northern Ireland for roughly a

Dr Owen and his party had sufficient vision to see that the introduction of national parties to Northern Ireland is the best means of normalising life there and guaranteeing civil rights for all

Yours faithfully, P. E. BIRNIE (Secretary, Northern Ireland

Other way. The SDP brought to the Alliance more radical and closely argued policies than anything the Liberals had produced since the war. Like the Liberals, they were on the side of the underdog in Britain and overseas but they combined this with an impressive ability to confront unpalatable realities in the realms of economic

The SDP's views carried the day within the Alliance to a large extent partly on account of their worth and advocacy but also because in negotiating the platform they were able to deal with the Liberals as equals. When to this were added the notable campaigning skills of the Liberals on the ground, the outcome was remarkably successful.

From Mr T. Higgins

Verney committee faced the problem of mineral working squarely namely, that mineral deposits will inevitably be found near inhabited areas, where there are environmental benefits in having the source close to the centre of demand. It is then a matter of balance whether the need overrides other considerations.

From Mrs Evelyn Franklin Sir, If Sir Ralph Verney (May 29) would care to look at the latest

Letters to the Editor should carry (071) 782 5046.

and alcoholics

Such a system would not deny the right of corporate bodies to make political contributions provided these are approved by their members or shareholders. It would however limit more effectively the total amount of money that could be spent on

Yours sincerely, RICHARD S. ROWNTREE,

Bill Rodgers in his article (June

4) acknowledges that the capture

of 25.4 per cent of the vote in 1983

was a great achievement and since, in the meantime, Labour had benefited by jettisoning the

uniquely disastrous Michael Foot

the Alliance should not have been

unduly displeased with the 22.6 per cent it won in 1987. Instead

the facile argument was adduced that their showing was poor and that this was due to the existence

of two leaders causing confusion

After the 1987 election only

David Owen of the original Gang

of Four seemed likely to remain

genuinely active in politics but he

it was, more than anyone else, who

had latterly impressed on the

minds of supporters and non-

supporters alike that the Alliance

was a serious political force. A

merger would however mean that

the new party would always have a Liberal leader since the Liberals

had the upper hand numerically.

What we have seen since the

painful birth of the SLD reflects

the fears entertained by the Owenite SDP, Had the Alliance

kept its head, Mrs Thatcher would

today have much more cause to

fear the loss of those Conservative

seats where the Alliance candidate

ran the 1989 winner a close

Sir, I was homeless before the SDP

was founded. Sir David Steel

expects me to be angry (report,

June 4) because I am homeless

once again. On the contrary I can

only feel grateful to those who

recognized the home I wanted and

did their utmost to build it.

From Mr J. Leonard Nicholson

Sir, "Any party of the left which does not have its roots in the

British working class movement

will sooner or later degenerate into

a small ineffectual cotene" (Roy

Jenkins, 1970 election campaign).

Savile Club, 69 Brook Street, W1.

Sir, Following the demise of the SDP, might I suggest that the

Liberal Democrats change their name to the Liberal Party?

Guidelines for Aggregates Provision, England and Wales, he will

see that much of the vast quantity

east, comes from one small part of the beautiful Mendip Hills.

It is extracted from two super-

quarries, one of which is owned by

the late John Foster Yeoman's

family. We are told that it must be

allowed to continue to expand and

deepen in order to finance the

super-quarry in Scotland, to which

he refers. Why on earth should the

fine scenery of the Mendips and Scotland be ruined, so that ag-

gregates can be exported to "any-

where in the world", let alone the

How convenient for the South-

east that, in 1976, it decided to

satisfy so much of its demand

from the more distant parts of

Somerset and Scotland. It might

moderate its demand, perhaps, if

the price of aggregates reflected the

environmental costs associated

with huge modern operating units.

South-east of England?

Yours faithfully,

Mendip Group.

Fitzrov House.

Chairman.

Ash Lane.

Somerset

May 30.

Wells

EVELYN FRANKLIN,

The Asham and East

of aggregate supplied to the South-

I. LEONARD NICHOLSON,

Yours faithfully,

STEPHEN REISS,

14 Bridewell Alley,

Ave atque vale, SDP.

From Dr David Krasner

35 Sherwood Road, NW4.

Yours faithfully

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D. H. KRASNER,

Norwich, Norfolk.

June 5.

second. Yours sincerely,

MICHAEL DIEMER.

Cheam, Sutton, Surrey.

From Mr Stephen Reiss

23 Nonsuch Walk,

to the voters.

Aspects of the SDP's demise

In the Upper Bann by-election

while denying the terrorists the oxygen of hope. Regrettably the Labour Party (new look or not) still treats Northern Ireland as an electoral no-go area.

SDP Area Party),

143b University Avenue Belfast, Northern Ireland.

From Mr P. M. Diemer Sir, Although a substantial element of the SDP membership in 1987 was strongly opposed to the proposed merger of the Alliance parties, their grounds were for some reason never given proper weight by professional com-mentators. Yet the anti-merger case was readily explicable and

made good sense. The two parties, as in most coalitions, appealed to different "constituencies" for their support and when they came together to fight elections on an agreed platform secured more support than they could have achieved in any

and defence policy.

Quarry at Stowe

Sir, In their 1976 report, the

It would be foolish to suggest that the "need" argument should always prevail - there are some areas of great sensitivity where quarrying should not take place but sand and gravel is a national resource and each county should make its proper contribution to the nation's consumption. Yours faithfully,

T. HIGGINS (President). Sand and Gravel Association Limited, 1 Bramber Court, Bramber Road, W14. June 6.

a daytime telephone number. They may be sent to a fax number

From Miss Rosa A. Della-Tolla

and Mrs Sally G. Benjamin Sir, We applaud Ruth Gledhill's well researched report (May 29) on the predictably disastrous plight of alcoholics and addicts as a con-sequence of the new National Health Service and Community Care Bill, which starts its report

Plight of addicts

stage in the Lords today. In November, 1988, we opened the doors of our residential secondary care unit for 10 women (aged 25-65) who have had treatment for alcoholism and other drug dependencies. We are a registered care home in Lambeth. The stay ranges from three to six

Our project was set up and is privately owned by just the two of us, with absolutely no financial assistance from anyone save for expensive bank loans. Not only was the futility of applying for any grants painfully apparent but we were also actively discouraged

from doing so.

The new community care Bill will leave us with only two alternatives - to either close or go totally private. The latter is not an option as we are dealing with women who have lost everything as a consequence of their alco-holism/addiction. Furthermore, to exclude women who cannot afford our service would go against our principles and per-sonal code of values.

The discretionary powers given to local authorities by the new Bill, in not stipulating a specific proportion to be allocated to the treatment of alcoholism/addiction (ringfencing), will result in funds

being diverted to other sectors. Under the new Bill, payment of residential treatment will come from three different sources. This will result in a crippling increase in administration costs and bring about the closure of the small but very effective registered rehabilitation centres. Although a subsidy to cover these costs would lessen the threat of closure the ideal alternative would be for funding

to still come from a single source.

Failing the imposition of an overall policy for ringfencing and guidelines for responsibility for funding treatment being applied nationally to local authorities, we would urge that a specific central grant be made available to alcoholics/addicts as suggested by the original Griffiths report for certain key services of low priority. This grant would be similar to that already allocated to mental illness on the grounds of stigma and payable through local authorities. The stigma attached to alcoholism/addiction is just as

Yours faithfully, ROSA A. DELLA-TOLLA SALLY G. BENJAMIN (Founder Directors), Headway Halfway House, 34 Rectory Grove, SW4. June 7.

Kent's traffic

From the Leader of

Kent County Council Sir. Mr James Graham is misinformed (May 30) on the discrepancies between the treatment of Scotland when compared to Kent in terms of transport infrastructure.)

No one will have good links to Europe unless they can pass through Kent conveniently to reach the tunnel. The motorway connections currently being built. and the new rail link being discussed are being supported by Kent County Council in the national interest, and it is not without some cost to the residents of the garden of England. It would be very easy for us to take a parochial view but that has not been our approach. All we have asked is that the links be designed

sensitively, and built quickly. Kent's roads and train services are under great pressure. We suffer both from the international traffic passing through the county, as well as considerable local demand. Traffic flows on Kent main roads are already three times the national average and growing 50 per cent faster than elsewhere. Our trains are heavily overloaded, and the passengers are the least subsidised in the country. No one who understands the situation can suggest that Kent is enjoying a favoured position. I believe we are making significant sacrifices in the interest of UK Limited.

Yours faithfully, A. H. HART, Leader, Kent County Council, County Hall, Maidstone, Kent.

Canterbury stakes From the Archdeacon of York

and the Vicar of Ealing Sir, Those who study the field in the coming Canterbury and London stakes might care to cast a cautionary glance at the fate of two of our predecessors.

In the 18th century, Thomas Hayter, Archdeacon of York and Prebend of Riccall, was elevated to the See of London and died of dropsy after only two months in office. Thomas Bradwardine, Chancellor of St Paul's and Rector of Ealing in the 14th century, travelled to Avignon to receive the pallium, returned post-haste to Canterbury, and to Lambeth where within the week he succumbed to the Black Death.

We are naturally anxious lest the members of the Crown Appointments Commission be unaware of the full facts Yours faithfully. GEORGE AUSTIN

MICHAEL SAWARD. The Athenaeum, Pall Mall, SW1.

COURT CIRCULAR

BUCKINGHAM PALACE
June 7: His Excellency Monsieur Mahmoud Hammoud was received in audience by The Queen and presented the Letters of Recall of his predecessor and his own Letters of Credence as Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary from Lebanon to the Court of St James's.

His Excellency was accompanied by the following members of the Embassy: Mr Michel Elschoury (First Secretary) and Mr Michael Rasser at the Service of Thanksgiving for the Life of Mr Norman Parkinson which was held in Westmonth of the Missed Bands of the Honsehold Division Beat Retreat on Horse Bourke was in attendance.

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Rica to the Court of St James's.
The Queen held a Council at 12.30pm. There were present the Right Hon. Sir Geoffrey Howe, MP, (Lord President), the Earl Ferrers (Minister of State, Home Office), the Right Hon. Christopher Patten, MP (Secretary of State for the Environment) and the Right Hon Nicholas Ridley, MP (Secretary of State for Trade and retary of State for Trade and Industry).

Mr Geoffrey de Deney was in attendance as Clerk of the

The Right Hon Sir Geoffrey
Howe, MP had an audience of
Her Majesty before the Council.
The Queen this afternoon
attended the Annual General
meeting of the National Federation of Women's Institutes in its
75th Annual Server the tion of women's institutes in its 75th Anniversary Year at the Royal Albert Hall. Her Majesty was received by Mrs Jean Varnum (Chairman).

The Lady Etton, Sir Kenneth Scott and Wing Commander David Walker, RAF, were in

The Duke of Edinburgh attended the Centenary Luncheon of the British Footwear Manufacturers Federation, at the Cafe Royal, London W1.

dier Clive Robertson His Royal Highness, Senior Fellow, held a reception this evening for the Fellowship of Engineering at Buckingham Pal-ace. The Duke of Kent (Royal

Fellow) was present. **BUCKINGHAM PALACE** June 7: The Duchess of York, President of the Hackney Horse Society, attended the South of England Show, Ardingly, West Sussex, and was received by Major-General Sir Philip Ward

(Vice Lord-Lieutenant of West Her Royal Highness, this afternoon attended the 44th Congress of Union Internation-als des Industries Graphiques de Reproduction (UI) at the Royal Lancaster Hotel, London W2 Mrs John Floyd and Cap-tain Alexander Baillie-Hamilton were in attendance.

June 7: This morning The Princess Royal, President, Brit-ish Knitting and Clothing Ex-port Conneil attended the Annual General Meeting and Luncheon at the Berkeley Hotel,

Afterwards Her Royal High-ness, Honorary President, the Chartered Institute of Transport, attended a meeting of the

Today's royal

engagements

Council of the Institute at 80

Mohammed Dib (First Secretary).

Sir Patrick Wright (Permanent Under-Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs) was present and the Household in Waiting were in International Household in Waiting Waiting Household in Waiting Waiting Household in Waiting Waiting Household in Waiting Household in Waiting Waiting Household in Waiting Household in Waiting Household in Waiting Household in Waiting Waiting Household in Waiting Waiting Household in Waiting Waiting Household in Waiting Household in Waiting Waiting Household in Waiting Household in Waiting Waiting Household in Waiting Household in Waiting Household

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Markie were in attendance.
The Princess of Wales, Colonel-in-Chief, 13th/18th Royal
Hussars (Queen Mary's Own),
received Major General Stuart
Watson and Colonel firench
Blake at Kensington Palace.
Her Royal Highness, Patron,
London City Ballet, hosted a
dinner at Kensington Palace
State Apartments, W8.
Miss Anne Beckwith-Smith
and Lieutenant-Commander
Patrick Jephson, RN were in
attendance.

KENSINGTON PALACE

June 7: The Princess Margaret, Countess of Snowdon today visited Hertford County Hospital and was received on arrival by Her Majesty's Lord Lieutenant for Hertfordshire (Mr Simon Bowes Lyon). Her Royal Higness opened the Gamma Camera Unit.

The Hon Mrs Whitehead was in attendance. KENSINGTON PALACE June 7: Princess Alice. Duches of Gloucester this morning took the Salute at the Founder's Day Parade, Royal Hospital, Chel-sea, London SW3. Dame Jean

Maxwell-Scott and Major Nicholas Barne were in attendance. The Duchess of Gloucester, as Patron, this afternoon visited Briaton Neighbourhood Community Association, 71 At-lantic Road, London, SW9. Mrs Howard Page was in

YORK HOUSE

ST JAMES'S PALACE
June 7: The Duke of Kent this afternoon unveiled the Polish Air Force Memorial in the Crypt of St Paul's Cathedral, London EC4. Captain the Hon Christopher Knollys was in

His Royal Highness, as a Royal Fellow, this evening at-tended the Fellowship of Engineering's Development of Engineering Reception at Buck-ingham Palace. Mr Andrew Palmer was in attendance. The Duke and Duchess of Kent were represented by Mrs

Alan Henderson at the Service of Thunksgiving for the Life of Mr Norman Parkinson which was held in Westminster Abbey. THATCHED HOUSE LODGE June 7: Princess Alexandra was represented by Major Peter Clarke at the Service of Thanksgiving for the Life of Mr Norman Parkinson which was held in Westminster Abbey.

at 4.45 in connection with the 500th anniversary of the granting of its Royal Charter.

The Queen, as Patron of the Church Urban Fund, accompa-nied by the Duke of Edinburgh, will visit activities in the Mans win visit activities in the Mans-field area, starting at St Ste-phen's Church, Hyson Green, Nottingham, at 10.15; and will visit the Portland Training Coll-ege for the Physically Disabled at Mansfield at 11.45 to mark the fortieth anniversary of the admission of its first students. The Duke of Edinburgh, as International President of WWF-World Wide Fund for Nature, will attend a ball to mark the life and work of the late Sir Peter Scott at Osterley Park at 8.00.

The Prince of Wales will attend a luncheon for the Gloucestershire Historic Churches Preservation Trust, Barnsley House, Cirencester, at 11.45. The Duke of York will open the Surrey Salon of Creative Photography exhibition at the Ashley Gallery, Epsom, at 6.30. The Duchess of York, as Patron of the Motor Neurone Diseas Association, will attend a meet-ing at Cumberland Lodge, Windsor Great Park, at 11.15; and will attend a luncheon and open the new staff accommoda-tion at the Bell Inn, Aston Clinton, Buckinghamshire, at

1.00. The Princess Royal will visit HMS Collingwood at Fareham, Hampshire, at 11.00; and, as President of the Riding for the Disabled Association, will visit the Bradbourne Group at Bradbourne Riding and Train-ing Centre, Sevenoaks, at 2.15. Princess Margaret, as President of the Girl Guides Association, will visit the refurbished Scottish headquarters, 16 Coates Crescent, Edinburgh, at 1.15; will open the Sue Ryder Home at Marchmont House, Green-law, at 4.00; and will visit Duns

Birthdays today

Sir William Barlow, chairman, BICC, 66; Lord Campbell of Croy, 69; Miss Lindka Cierach, fashion designer, 38; Mr Michael Codron, theatrical producer, 60; Professor Alice Coleman, geographer, 67; Dr F.H.C. Crick, biologist, 74; Earl Ferrers, 61; Lord Justice Glidewell, 66; Mr Ray Illingworth, cricketer, 58: Ray Illingworth, cricketer, 58; Mr Alaric Jacob, author, 81; Sir Michael Levey, former director, National Gallery, 63; Lady Lit-Sir Joseph Luckhoo, Bahamian judge, 73; Mr Angus McBean, photographer, 86; Dame Jean Maxwell-Scott, royal equerry, 67; Sir Ian Morrow, company director, 78; Mr A.J. Mottram, tennis player, 70; Mr Roger Murray, president, Cargill Europe, 54; Major-General Wil-liam Odling, 81; Mr Cranley Onslow, MP, 64; Lord Pritchard, 80; Sir Julian Ridsdale, MP, 75; Mrs Norma Shaw, bowler, 53; Mr Derek Underwood, cricketer, 45; Dame Anne Warburton, president, Lucy Cavendish College, Cambridge, 63; Sir Alwyn Williams, former vice-chancellor, Glasgow

University, 69.

Anniversaries BIRTHS: Giovanni Cassini, BIRTHS: Giovanni Cassini, astronomer, Perinaldo, France, 1625; John Smeaton, civil en-gineer, Leeds, 1724; Alessandro di Cagliostro, alchemist and adventurer, Palermo, 1743; Robert Stevenson, engineer, Glasgow, 1772; DEATHS: Muhammad, Medina, 632; Hardecanute, King of England 1040-42, 1042; Edward the 'Black Prince'. London, 1376; Johann Winckelmann, historian, murdered, Trieste, 1768:

School news

St Clare's, Oxford St Clare's, Oxford, will hold an Open Day on Saturday, June 30, 1990, at 2.30-5.00 pm for those interested in the International Baccalaureate — a real alternative to "A" levels. 139 Banbury Road, Oxford.

Regby School Rugby School has awarded scholarships to the following: SCHOLAISINGS to the following:
Monkton Combe Junior School:
Edward Cod. S Anselm's, Baltewell:
James Alen. Emecute Lawn, Warwick: Ilmostry Gledhill, Foremarke
Hell, Derfay: James Meshwar, WarHell, Derfay: Jones Meshwar, West
House, Engleston: Richard Carter.
Bilton Grange. Dunchurch: Dominic Bulles. S. Anselm'et School: Carder.
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Bilton Grange: James Decks.
Jonathan Manning, Moorlands
School. Leeds: Angus Mach, Beetlon



OBITUARIES

EDGAR PALAMOUNTAIN

Edgar William Irwin Palamountain, at one time a leading figure in the British unit trust movement and an active proponent of wider share ownership, died on June 5 aged 72. He was born on December 24, 1917.

DURING the boom years for unit trusts, in the 1960s and 1970s, no current topic of debate was complete without a contribution from Edgar Palamountain, one of the industry's most tireless advocates and most innovative marketing influences. His dapper figure, complete with buttonhole, will be sadly missed in the City. He joined M & G Group,

which rose to become Brit-ain's biggest unit trust manager, in 1957. M & G had been the founder of unit trusts in the 1930s, but 20 years later was still struggling to re-establish itself after the war. It was being run virtually single-handedly by Ian Fairbairn, a member of the family that then controlled the company. In 1957 Palamountain was unhappily employed at Tootal, the textile group. He was introduced to Fairbairn at a party, and Fairbairn seized on him as the sort of person he was looking for to help get M & G back on its feet.

There began a partnership which was to have a profound effect on the development of unit trusts in Britain. Palamountain joined the board of M & G in 1962 and became managing director six years later, on lan Fairbairn's retirement. While Fairbairn and others looked after the group's investment policy and Royal Horse Artillery, and it was not enough to promote management. Palamountain served in France and Gerunit trust sales, so in 1971 he group's investment policy and concentrated on marketing and creating new investment products. The most successful of these was the unit-linked wrote a history of the division, for the rest of his life.

Robert ("Bob") Edwards, for-

mer Labour and Cooperative MP for Bilston from 1955 to

1974, and then for Wolver-hampton South-East until

1987, and General Secretary of

the Chemical Workers' Union

for almost 25 years, died aged

85 on June 4. He was born on

BOR Edwards was an inter-

January 16, 1905.

Community.

Marriages

The marriage took place at the Church of our Most Holy Redeemer and St Thomas More Cheyne Row, SW3, on

Thursday, May 31, between Mr Nicholas Crean and Miss Sarah

Mason. Father Patrick Nolan and Father Edward Crouzet

OSB, concelebrated the Nuptia

The bride was given

marriage by her uncle, Mr Maurice Mason, and was attended by Sophia Akroyd, Lucy Russell-Hills and the page

was Hugo Woodhead, Mr Mark Crean was best man.

Mr P.D. John Miss S.E. Allen The marriage took place at the Wesleyan Reform Chapel,

Syresham, Northamptonshire, on Saturday, June 2, 1990, of Mr Philip David John, elder son of Mr Graham John, of Esher, Surrey, and the late Mrs John, and Miss Susan Elizabeth Allen,

younger daughter of Mr and Mrs. Fred Allen, of Port Erin, Isle of Man. The service was conducted by the Rev John Combined

The bridesmaids were Miss Judith Allen and Miss Catherine Duggins. Dr David Dove was

Royal Army Pay Corps
Officers of the Royal Army Pay
Corps held their Colonel Commandant's dinner last night at
the HQ Mess, Worthy Down,
General Sir John Stibbon, Colonel Commandant, presided and
Major-General J.L. Bartlett,

retiring representaive Colonel Commandant, was the principal

was the guest of honour at the annual dinner of the Indian Cavalry Officers' Association held last night at the Cavalry and Guards Club. Brigadier John Woodroffe presided.

HM Government
Marshal of the RAF Sir David
Craig, Chief of the Defence
Staff, was host yesterday at a
luncheon given by Her Maj-

esty's Government at Admiral House in honour of General P.J. Graaff, Chief of the Defence

Staff. The Netherlands Armed

Mr William Hubert Dann, QC, has been elected a Bencher.

Lincoln's Inn

Indian Cavalry Officers' Major-General Stuart Watson

Luncheon

Service dinners

Goulder.

Mr N.A. Cress



investments were tied to life policies to qualify for the tax relief which was then available, "Buy your units at a discount" was Edgar discount" was Edgar Palamountain's slogan, and the scheme flourished.

Palamountain was educated at Charterhouse and St John's College, Oxford. War broke out almost as soon as he graduated, and he joined the many with the 11th Armoured became chairman of the Division, being mentioned in dispatches. He subsequently assurance policy. Although which was published as Tau-He was made chairman of Eleanor, this had been pioneered in the rus Pursuant in 1945. He M & G in 1977, but his reign daughters.

captain in the Republican

Army. Edwards met Orwell

when they were fighting on behalf of the anti-communist

marxist forces on the Aragon

front. Edwards did not, it

seems, have a high regard for

Orwell suspecting he was not a

Edwards kept up his fervent

who fought in Spain with George Orwell in the Civil War. He later emerged as one of the few left-wingers in the Tabour Party devoted early to Tabour Party d

of a young Spanish diplomat

nationally-minded socialist hatred of the Franco regime attempts to enter Parliament

writer seeking "copy".

Kingdom into the European act as an observer at the trial

With his early ILP back- and eight leftwing Catholic

ground - he was national associates accused of "rebel-

chairman of that party's Guild lion" when they sought to

of Youth from 1927 to 1931 - organize a national strike. He

UK by the insurance com-panies, M & G was the first unit trust manager to market Allied Commission for Aus-these highly popular in-struments, in which unit trust lieutenant-colonel the following year. He married in 1948. On demobilization he spent three years with the Anglo-

Iranian Oil Company in London and Tehran, before moving to Tootal in 1952. Palamountain became a strong supporter of free-market thinking. He joined the Institute of Economic Affairs, of which he was Patron from 1972. He increasingly felt that Wider Share Ownership Council, a cause he espoused

liberty," Edwards said then.

Liverpool the son of a steel

erector. Educated at a local

primary school and joining the Labour Party aged 17, he got a job in the chemicals industry. He visited the USSR.

He made three unrecessful

Edwards stayed well to the left

of most of his colleagues and

was a severe critic of both

Hugh Gaitskell and Harold

At the head of the Chemical

Stalin, in 1927.

Edwards was born in

ROBERT EDWARDS

true revolutionary but a mere in a union delegation, meeting

Edwards knew where he stood was promptly ordered to leave Workers' Union Edwards was Sandham, who died in 197 when Spain's Civil War broke the country. "Nothing is more a leading campaigner for the He is survived by one son.

was sadly short-lived. M & G developed a life assurance scheme for UK non-residents. but it went sour for reasons that were outside the company's control. The Inland Revenue removed the scheme's tax-exempt status, but M & G feit bound to make good the money policyholders lost as a result. That was a sufficiently serious blow for Edgar Palamountain to tender his resignation as chairman in 1979, although no personal blame attached to him. As a demonstration of confidence in him, the Esmée Fairbairn Charitable Trust made Palamountain its director in 1980, a position he held for eight years. During his term of stewardship the Trust's in-come which had alreadyrisen from £3,500 in 1963 to £430,000 multiplied further and is currently more than £5million per annum.

He was an active worker for number of charities and other causes. He was a trustee of the National Association of Almshouses from 1963 to 1980, a governor of the National Institute for Economic and Social Research, the Ditchley Foundation and a member of the Committee of the London Voluntary Service Council. Another interest was the University of Buckingham. He was chairman of its council from 1980 to 1984 during its formative years. In 1984 he was made a Fellow of the Royal Society of Arts.

Palamountain's ' principal hobbies were sports. He was an accomplished tennis player and cricketer, and a keen and enthusiastic golfer, as well as being a member of the MCC. His approach to sport was of a piece with the cheerfulness he brought to the other aspects of his life. He leaves his widow, He was made chairman of Eleanor, a sou and two

less" drugs.

To many Labour MPs it

seemed a betrayal when Ed-

wards esponsed in the early

days the European cause. He

was founder-president of the

Socialist Movement for a

United States of Europe in

1947, a former vice-president

of the Council of Europe and a

member of the European Par-

liament, then called an assem-

vate Members' Bills, one of

which dealing with consumer protection, was passed in 1962. He was the author of

several books and pamphlets

In 1933 he married May

Sandham, who died in 1970.

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bly, from 1977 to 1979.

on political subjects.

CHRISTOPHER SCRUTON

Christopher "Kit" Scruton, an aerodynamics engineer much involved with the problems of bridge design, died aged 79 on May 27. He was born on March 29, 1911.

A NATIVE of Shipley, Yorkshire, Christopher Scruton was the son of a motor mechanic. But the family soon moved to Dartford, Kent, where Kit successfully studied at Dartford Grammar School, 1922-29, in spite of considerable family difficulties and hardships. He joined the aerodynamics section of the Nat-ional Physical Laboratory as a junior observer. By evening study (no day release in those days) he obtained an honours degree from Birkbeck College and achieved the then almost unprecedented transfer to scientific officer. By the time war broke out aircraft flutter was well recognized as a serious problem and he was much involved in the experimental investigations in col-laboration with the theoretical work led by Dr R. A. Frazer,

The spectacular collapse of the Tacoma Straits suspension bridge led the designers of the proposed Severn and Forth bridges to seek assistance from the National Physical Laboratory in the years immediately after the war because of the relevance of their experience in flutter and acro-elastic instability. With a small team Scruton built a large and novel wind tunnel to test suspension bridge models of 50 feet length using a disused hangar on a deserted and lonely RAF airfield at Thurleigh in Bedfordshire. After the successful completion of these experiments on whole bridge models he realised their relative impracticality for more general use and devised and proved the use of partial models, elastically suspended, that allowed better and more economic testing of not only bridges but other structures.

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ics with deep involvement in many large and well known civil engineering structures: the Tamar Bridge, the Jodrell Bank radio telescope, the Post Office Tower and Sydney Opera House, Particular recognitions of his abilities and contributions were a fourweek invited lecture tour of Japan in 1964 and receipt of the 1966 Wolfe Award. In 1967 he was appointed Adrian visiting fellow of the University of Leicester and in 1968 promoted to deputy chief scientific officer (special merit). His most visible memorial is the helical strakes on many chimneys around the world, and possibly the most lasting scientific memorial is the use of his name for a nondimensional parameter, the Scruton Number,

During his career he was invariably conscientions in giving the maximum recognition and career encouragement to his junior staff, Relations with management were not always so good. He had no time for unproductive bureaucracy that hindered what he saw as necessary scientific investigation.

His main recreation was sailing. Starting with the Fire-fly class in 1955 he moved on to Flying Piffeens and sailed small cruisers. In 1934 he married Letty Shepherd who also worked at NPL and who By 1954 he had become the survives him together with an

out and rose to become a important to me than human public ownership of the SALLY, DUCHESS of WESTMINSTER chemical industry, and claimed that manufacturers made huge profits from "use-

Sir Benund Lorell writes:

THE writer of the obituary notice (May 31) of Sally, Duchess of Westminster rightly described her adventurous spirit that led her to explore the waters of the neys were merely transitory ifestations of a vital

and preservers of nature.

At Saighton, in Cheshire, she developed one of the classic examples of a great English garden of this century. After the death of her husband in 1967 she left Saighton but. undamnted and with remark-Amazon and the jungles of able speed, she transformed Brazil However, these jour- the unpromising grassland surrounding her new home in strength that, under con- area of beauty. Her deep ditions of great sorrow, en- understanding of the animate abled her to make her way, as world was manifest in the Lucretius wrote of Epicurus, ardent support and help she "outside the flaming walls of the world and range over the measureless whole". Sally unique presence has vanished from the world of her count-

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supreme creators of beauty less friends.

The engagement is announced between Mark Rupert, son of Mrs Sue Blythe, of Wannock, East Sussex, and Joanna Clare, daughter of Mrs Caroline Nicholl, of Warnham, West

Mr A.P. Bridges and Miss H.F. Case

The engagement is announced between Andrew, son of Mr Barry Bridges, of Norwich, and Mrs G. Stout, of Chailey, and

Mr G.S.H. Bruell

and Mrs N. McIrvino

Mr D.A. Hopkins and Miss S.A. Priestman

Mr R.J. Krais

The engagement is announced between Howard, son of Mr and Mrs Anthony Krais, and Katie, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs Douglas Lowry.

The Revd P.K. Lee and Miss D.H.J. Chown

E.K. Lee, and Diana Helen Joy, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs

and Miss S.J. Barker Calderstones, Liverpool, and Stephanie, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs R.A. Barker, of

Mr M.R. Blythe and Miss J.C. Nicholi

Sussex, and of the late Rev John Mckillop Nicholl.

Helen, middle daughter of Mr and Mrs Harry Case, of Portheawl, South Wales.

The engagement is announced between George Stephen Halstead, youngest son of Mr and Mrs Peter Bruell, of Gerrards Cross, Buckingham-shire, and Ruth Fiona, only daughter of Mr and Mrs Gregor McIntosh, of Northwood, Middless Mr S.N. Coe

The engagement is announced between Sebastian, eldest son of Mr and Mrs Peter Coe, of Fulham, London, and Nicola, only daughter of Mr and Mrs Roger Elliott, of Effingham, Ѕштеу.

and Miss S.A. Presuman
The engagement is announced
between Dominic, younger son
of Mr and Mrs Adrian Hopkins,
of Radyr, South Glamorgan,
and Sally, elder daughter of Mr
and Mrs Colin Priestman, of
North End, Essex.

and Miss K.J. Lowry

The engagement is announced between Peter Kenneth, son of the late Canon and the late Mrs

Mr J. Melrom

The engagement is announced between Jonathan, younger son of Dr and Mrs W. Melrose, of

Forthcoming marriages

The engagement is announced between Peter James, of Quainton Hall School, in Harrow, younger son of Mr and Mrs J.M. Milner, of Cranleigh and Aino, daughter of the law Mr and Mrs Agne Löwegren, o Lund, Sweden

Captain A.W. Neish and Miss S.A. Bredin

The engagement is announced between Angus Neish, 4th/7th Royal Dragoon Guards, elde son of the late Lieutenant Colonel and Mrs J. Neish, ot West Lavington, Wiltshire, and Sarah, younger daughter of Major-General and Mrs H.E.N. Bredin, of Ardleigh, Essex. Dr F.P. Payne

and Dr P.J. Berry The engagement is announced between Frank Philip Payne. eldest son of Mr and Mrs Frank
Cecil Payne, of Torquay,
Devon, and Philippa Jane
Berry, only daughter of the late
Mr Thomas Edward Berry and
of Mrs Celia Berry, of Hadley
Wood Hertfordships Wood Hertfordshi

Mr A.M. Pena and Miss A.C. Pegley The engagement is announced between Angel, son of the late Schor Angelino Pena and of Schora Irma Pena, of Bogota, Colombia, and Anthea, daughter of Mr and Mrs Colin Pegley, of Bath, Avon.

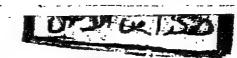
Dr R. Towler and Miss S. Toynbee and Miss S. Toynbee
The engagement is announced
between Robert, son of Mr
Towler and the late Mrs Towler,
of King's Lynn, and Sarah,
daughter of Mr and Mrs
Lawrence Toynbee, of Chapel
Cottage, Ganthorpe, Yorkshire. Mr D.R. Valentine

and Miss S.D. Sharrar and Miss S.D. Sharrar
The engagement is announced
between Derek, son of Mr and
Mrs S. Valentine, of Emsworth,
Hampshire, and Sandra,
daughter of Mr and Mrs L.
Sharrar, of Ashurst, Hampshire.

Parish Clerks' Company

The following have been elected officers of the Parish Clerk's Company for the ensuing year. Master. Mr. J.H. Gaze: Upper Warden. Prebendary A.R. Rozell: Under Warden. Mr. L.L. Brace.

Margaret Hutton A Service of Thanksgiving for the life of Margaret Hutton will be held at Chelmsford Cathe-dral, on Wednesday, June 20, at 2.30 mm.



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Memorial services

Mr Namen Parkinson
The Princess Royal was represented by Mr Michael Rasser at
a service in memory of and
thanksgiving for the life and
work of Mr Norman Parkinson
held yesterday in Westminster
Abbey. The Duke and Duchess
of Kent were represented by Mrs
Alan Henderson, Prince and
Princess Michael of Kent by Sir
Pager Scott and Princess Alexan-Peter Scott and Princess Alexan-

Mr Naromo Parkinson

Poter Scott and Princess Alexandra by Major Peter Clarke.

The Dean of Westminster officiated, assisted by the Rev Paul Ferguson, Chaplain and Sacrist. Canon Donald Gray read the prayer attributed to St. Francis of Assisi and Gideon Later read a propertial stim. Me. Lester read a prayer in Latin. Mr Mark Birley and Miss Zandra Rhodes read the lessons. Mr Karl Hudson-Phillips, QC, gave nn address. Mr Dexter Joseph played

Misty on the steel pan. The Rev Alun Glyn-Jones and the Rev Willie Booth were robed and in the Sacrarium. The Lord Mayor of Westminster attended. Others present included:



The Hon Archie Hamilton, Minister of State for the Armed

Forces, was host at a dinner given by the Army Board last night in Hyde Park Barracks in

honour of General d'Armée

Gilbert Forray, Chief of the General Staff of the French

Army. Among those present

General Str. John and Luck Charles Licensent General Str. Edward and Lucky Jones. My and Mys K. C. Meccionald, Mr and Mys Alling Thomas. Mr and Mrs Called Troubet. Mr and Mrs Cyril Teed, Brigodler and Mrs Cinton Henshaw, Colonel and Mrs Cinton Henshaw, Colonel and Licensent L

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Mr Nichelas Ashford
The Japanese Ambassador was
represented by Mr Manabu
Miyagawa at a service of thanksgiving and celebration for the
life of Mr Nicholas Ashford held yesterday at St Bride's, Fleet Street. The South African Ambassador was represented by Mr R.J. Ballard-Tremeer and the Secretary-General of the Commonwealth by Mrs Patsy

Canon John Quan officinted, Canon John Cutm officiated, Mr Guy Grieve, stepson, read from the works of Canon Henry Scott Holland and Mr Stephen Glover, Editor of The Independent on Sunday, read the lesson. Mr Stephen Fay, Deputy Editor of The Independent on Sunday, read excetps from Nicholas Ashford's work and Mr Peter Pringle, Washington Correspondent of The Independent gave an address. Among others



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Dinners

The Duchess of St Alb the principal guest and speaker at a ladies' dinner given by the Bakers' Company last night at Gray's Inn. Mr Stanley Wise, Master, accompanied by Mrs Wise, presided. alties for the Monetary

M Valery Chemid o'Estates and Mr.

Union of Europe Sir Nigel Broackes and the Right Hon David Howell, MP, were hosts at a dimer in honora of the Committee for Monetary Union, at the Ritz Hotel, on June 7. The guests were:

Committeet: the Right Hon Lord Calleghan of Cardill, the Right Hon Calleghan of Cardill, the Right Hon Calleghan of Cardill, the Right Hon Calleghan of Dunisholderne, Str. Free Peris Calleghan Germany, Viccimic Mantendi, Mime Dominique Debront, Mr Brian Garroway, Dr. Hotiber, Signor Alfonso, Juzzo, M. Peut Mentre, Signor Alfonso, Juzzo, M. Peut Mentre, Sir Rechard Pailler, Sir Peter Peris, Mr Use Parchetta, Saran von Edichthoden, Dr Tony Ryan, Mr Mets Thygesen, Mr Cartstopher Tagensdast, and Mr Xeopophon Zotoba. Nullicid Provincial Haspitals

ire attended a service of thanks

giving for the lives of Lieutenant-Colonel Sir Walter and Lady Bromley-Davenport held yesterday at Capesthorne Hall, Macclesfield. The Rev Dr

John N. Roskilly officiated, assisted by Canon A. Sholto Douglas, who led the prayers. Mr Andrew Venables and Mr

Mr Andrew Venables and Mr
Tony Darbyshire read the
lessons. Mr David Howell, MP,
and Professor Patrick
Horsbrugh gave addresses. The
Bishop of Birkenhead pronounced the blessing. The band
of the The Cheshire Regiment
played daring the service,

The trust celebrated its fiftieth anniversary at a dinner held last night in Middle Temple Hall. Guests were welcomed by Sir Maurico Shock, chairman of the

trust. The toast to the trust was

proposed by Sir Kenneth Stowe.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS & PERSONAL

I will put my breath in them, bring them back to life, and let them live in their own land. Then they will know that I am the Lord who promised to do this.

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BIRTHS Jame (née Alidna) and Jame (née Alidna) and James, a dampher, Caroline Frances Diana, a sister for Simun and Michaeles

Frances Diana, a sister for Smun and Nicholas.

CASELS - On June 7th, to Lucy (née Maitland) and Charles, a son. Oliver.

GLEFORD-HOLMES - See

Printice.

BAVES - On June 1st. to Carol and Peler, a daughter.

Emily, a sister for Rhya.

BHIT - On June Eth. at Maidsione Hospital, to Vanessa
(net Linney) & Christopher.

the gift of a daughter.

Ethabeth Helesa Mattimen.

a sister for Jonathan.

JOSC CAPOSELIST A - On June
4th. to Madeleine and

Environt a son. Catriels.

FINALLY - On May 26th. at

Uncen Catriedter Hospital, in Helesa Onle Collins; and

Mark. a daughter. Sophie
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BABLESS - On June 3rd. at

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ABLES - On June 3rd, et
Whappa Cross Hospital, to
Marga (the Bosman) and
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John Radcliffe Hospital,
Doford, to Ruft and Srui, a
taughter, Harriel Dorothy.
OCHOA. - On June 6th, to
Frances (née Ellingworth)
and Carlos, a son, William
Joseph, a brother for Laura
Rose.

PARRY - On June 6th, to
Carolyn and Rhys, a
actumiter, Convertue Victoria
Ocatio), a stater for Hitlanon,
a granddaughter for Mr and
Mis Terry Dills.

PARTNEW - On June 3rd, to
Catherine unée Wickham)
and David, a son, Orlando.

PRENTICE - On June 1st, to
Lorette inde Cilifert Himsen.

PRENTICE - On June 1st, to Lorette (nee Cilifore-Holmes) and Malcolm, a daughter. Olivia Catherine, a sister for

James
ROSE - On June 4th, at 8t
John's Hospital, to Jili and
Sammen, a non Samuel Leight. Serven, e son Samuel Leight, inter Nock) and Simon, a son, Samuel David, WisboowSoul - On June 4th, to Flora unite Macphie) and lan, a son, Angus, wyoorsthorne - On June 2nd, in Rye, New York, to Rhona (née Gibba) and Christopher, a son, Edwin Raleigh, a brother for William.

ANNIVERSARIES

HOLT:APPERLY - On June 8th 1940 at 8t Lawrence's Church, Bidborough, Kent, Oliver Holt to Anne Apperly. Now living in Sometiel.

DEATHS

BROWNE - On May 30th 1990. suddenly, Harold Hubert, aged 72. Loving husband, faither and grandfather. The funeral has taken place. GOOM - On Tuesday June 5th 1990. Eric William, suddenly and sescetully in his sleep, seed 69 years. Greatly loved husband of Eva and father of Virginia and Miranda. Privane funeral. Doubtions to the British Heart Foundations to the British Heart Foundations of Noneman Country and the British Heart Foundations of Noneman People, widow of Cyril and mother of Nicholas and the left David. Funeral at Randells Park. Leotherhead. on Tuesday June 12th at 1 pm. No frowers please.

BELAMINETY - On June 6th 1990, peacefully at his home 19 500, peacefully at his home is Engaley. John Edward.

1900, peacefully at his home in Formby. John Edward, dearly beloved husband of Elicen, loving father of Ann. Bernerd. Andrew and Peter and a pleuful grandfather. Requiren Mass at St Jeromes

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STILWELL - On June 5th, peacefully at West Wittering Nursing Home. John, aged 75, much loved husband of Mary. beloved father of Robert, Peter and Andrew. sons of the late Marjorie and grandfather of Thomas. Percy, Jemima. Joanna and John. Cremation at Chichester Donations to any charity in tieu of flowers will be appreciated.

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MERCER - On June 3rd 1990, peacefully, Eamé iris, of Beckenham and formerly of Hott Wood, Aylesford, Beloved wife of the late Detcé Mercer, much loved mother, grandmother, grandmother and friend. The fumeral took place on June 7th at Aylesford Church.

MOORE - On June 5th, peacefully in his sleep. Evelyn Garth, Priest, Barrisier-al-Law and Fellow of Corpus Christi College. Cambridge, aged 84 years. Funeral Service in the College Chapel on Saturday line 16th at 13 pm. June 16th at 11 am.

OAKLEY - On June 5th 1990. suddenly at home. Kenneth Roland Oakley, aped 85 years Dearry loved husband of Molife (Ellean) beloved father of Christophar and Elizabeth, grandpa and greatgrandpa. Ken Oakley was for many years Docks Manager of the Royal Group of Docks and Superintendent. Port of London Authority. Funeral Service at Eastbourne Crematorium on Tuesday June 12th at 3.30 pm. Family flowers only, but domaione if desired may he sent to Dorion House School for the Blind, Seal, Kant.

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MUTINOUS TROOPS EX-PRIME MINISTER ARRESTED

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT RIGA, June 7

A message from Kovno early today stated that a section of the Army had attempted a Putsch in an effort to reinstate Professor Valdemaras as Dictator of Lithuania. According to a report to-night, the attempt failed and Professor Valdemaras was arrested. He had flown by seroplane from his place of banishment to Kovno last night. The Government declare themselves masters of the

Another version says that both pro-German and pro-Polish factions were involved in an attempt to dominate or overthrow the existing Government, and that the pro-Germans appeared to have been frustrated. A further message from Kovno tonight says that the pro-German General Kubiliunas, the Chief of Staff, has been dismissed and that the Government have reached an understanding with the leaders of the malcontents peaceably

to reorganize the Cabinet. Professor Valdemaras, whose name has come up in political speculations at various times during he last few months, is reported to have supporters within the Army. After having been in banishment to the countryside for some years he was allowed last winter to live temporarily in Kovno. Early in the spring, however, police visited him at his hotel one night and took him back to the village to which he had been originally banished. The pretext for the police action was that he had

attempted to resume his political activities. The view is widely held that Professor Valdemaras now favours a more friendly policy towards Germany, especially in regard to Memel, which was formerly German. Kovno, June 7 - A semi-official statement says that a group of young officers, taking advantage of a test mobilization of the garrison last night, attempted to exercise pressure on the Government with a view to forcing their resignation and the formation of a Government by

Professor Valdemaras. President Smetona categorically refused even to consider such de-mands, and the Chief of the General Staff, General Kubiliunas, resigned, and his place has been taken by the Chief of the Army School, General

Jackus. Professor Valdemaras was brought in an aeroplane by a young airman from Zarasi, where he had been in banishment. After spending some hours in an aviation camp, he was taken by airmen to the Chief of the General Staff, who handed him over to police headquarters, where he was placed in a state of arrest.

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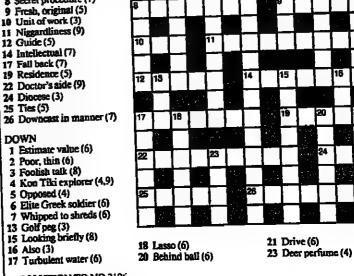
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police and vast numbers of the population are opposed to the threatened avalanche of visitors to Expo 2000

ritain, which earned the world's praise for leading an international camarchitectural treasures of Venice, is believed to have a key influence on a decision to be taken next week on whether the Adriatic city will play host to Expo 2000. This is an "honour" Venice does not want, and which may well have a devastating effect upon it. Remarkably, Britain's support for the protection of Venice against this peril is not guaranteed.

All that the British government

will formally say before the vote next Thursday is that it has not yet made up its mind about the competing candidatures of Venice, Hanover and Toronto. This indecision is profoundly worrying an international artistic community looking to this country for leadership.

Others go further. Sir Ashley Clarke, former ambassador to Italy and in retirement now president of the Venice In Peril Fund, said: "I have heard from diplomatic sources in Rome that Britain's position on this is ambiguous, to say the least. It appears to be sliding to Italy's side." And the historian John Julius Norwich, the fund's chairman, said: "The signals are worrying. I read that one of our official delegates burst out with 'listen, we are not going to be pressured by the Venice-lovers'."

Rumours are circulating freely in organizations as diverse as the Committee of Unesco's World Heritage Fund and the fledgling European Bank for Reconstruction and Development, that a diplomatic deal has been done, perhaps relating back to Italian support for the siting of that bank in London, as a pump-primer to London Docklands.

ice, against the protests of its mayor, its police, and vast numbers of its population, it is feared that a city of narrow streets and bridges which says it can comfortably welcome no more than 25,000 visitors a day would be overwhelmed by up to 250,000 every day for four months.

Art historians from Moscow to Dallas have joined the city's protest. Carlo Ripa de Meana, EC Commissioner for the Environ-ment, says that if the project goes ahead he will ensure that every EC regulation on protection is enforced to the letter. In May the European Parliament, condemned

the international character of the opposition, maintaining that foreign art-lovers and tourists are depriving the city of the investment, new buildings and jobs which would stem from Expo and would ensure it a "modern'

Given the undisputed evidence of peril, why has Venice been thrust into the final for selection? The answer lies in the nature of Italian politics and business, and in the character of two brothers who operate in both fields with formidable dash and aggression. Gianni De Michelis, Italy's

socialist Minister for Foreign Affairs, cuts a remarkable figure, greying ranks of familiar political faces. Stout and ill-groomed, he discos) with solid contacts among Italy's powerful unions. His ambitions are conspicuously Europe-wide and he is obsessed by the idea that events in Eastern Europe have "restored" Venice to its position at the centre of Europe.

Argentina) to get his message across. Some Italians insist he has gone further than mere persua-sion. Signor Giorgio Napolitano, a leading communist politician, accused De Michelis in the Italian parliament this week of having not very clear political and private reasons" for making himself the promoter of Expo.

Not very clear? Signor De Michelis will ensure himself liferegion if he brings investments of £850 million (at current estimates, probably in reality nearer twice that sum) to boost the regional economy. He would welcome the shattering of Venice's traditional mould: some years ago he was a prime mover in a project to rezone parts of the city, including plans to bring motor-traffic to the world's most famous pedestrian precinct. His businessman brother, Cesare, has led the way in assembling a formidable group of Italian

and international companies who

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Italy's application, defeating the Italian Socialists and their allies by 195 to 15 votes. Expo's backers have exploited

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Will Britain pass a sentence of death on Venice?

Venice is again in peril — this time from floods of visitors to a trade fair. Brian James and Rosemary Righter investigate Britain's role in the Machiavellian plots behind next week's vote on the site of Expo 2000

tian Expo. Cesare is now the consortium's vice-president.

The De Michelis brothers' re-

sponse to criticism has been curious. First, Gianni claimed that this was an Expo for the entire region, rather than just Venice. Many features would be staged in Padua or Verona, therefore not all the expected 30 million visitors would flood over the Rialto bridge towards St Mark's. Then Cesare's consortium produced a bizarre
"solution" to overcrowding.
Access to Venice would be

controlled by a "credit card", used for reserving tickets for museums and beds in hotels. The card would grant visitors a computer-determined "route" through the city. Non-card holders would queue, possibly for days, for entry. Why a world fair should be staged by a city already fighting to keep

crowds away was not explained. Until last Tuesday, opponents of Expo hoped that the Italian application. Two cabinet members had disowned the whole business, and when the parliament then debated the application no vote was taken - even though they were discussing proposals worth billions of lire which their taxpayers must underwrite. The Prime Minister, Giulio Andreotti, suggested that no vote was required since nothing would be done without the city's approval. But the maintenance of Venetian vigilance is far from guaranteed, since Gianni De Michelis himself is a candidate for mayor (a post he

can hold simultaneously). Signor Andreotti then announced that even if Venice were granted the Expo next week, Italy could still withdraw.

What effect that extraordinary statement will have next Thursday on the body which decides on the fair, the congress of the Bureau International des Expositions, remains to be seen. But then the BIE itself, an obscure leftover from the League of Nations, is an extraordinary organization. Based in Paris on the Avenue Victor Hugo,

They would sigh with secret relief if they could get away with walling in central Venice as a permanent outdoor museum while freeing their hands to develop the vast, newlydiscovered gas resources just outside its lagoon, and the potential

it exists solely to decide the siting of global fairs, of which there are three or four a decade.

The organization's membership is a curious assortment of 41 governments, plus Byelorussia and the Ukraine (an anomaly dating to Stalin's negotiations with Roosevelt when the United Nations was founded). Haiti, Monaco and Lebanon - not at first glimpse ideal host countries for world exhibitions - are members. India, the United States, and China are not.

The bureau convenes governmental meetings twice a year a workload so untaxing that most governments send along junior diplomats from Paris embassies. So much, the bureau admits. But it is absurdly closed-mouthed about its activities. The secretariat was unable to provide the names of BIE delegates — the people who will vote on Thursday. BIE's secretary-general, Marie-Hélène ье made по attempt to defend such secrecy: "It's a rule without a reason.

This can have nothing to do with shielding delegates from improper pressures, since they have no official powers and are supposed to vote according to their government's instruction. But secrecy does shield them from public accountability, should any of them be tempted, under the secret ballot, to disobey orders from capitals. With so much at stake, it is extraordinary that the fate of Venice is in the hands of 100 or so extremely junior dip-

lomats, almost none of whom has any knowledge of the organization of international fairs. When it was visited by The Times this week, the BIE seemed bemused by its sudden notoriety. Outside its small and beautiful offices, members of the Italian Green Party were clambering the railings to affix a huge banner proclaiming that Venice must not be chosen. They insisted that greens from all over Europe would join them within the hour.

Officials of BIE watched warlly. A masked commando group weilding batons and teargas canisters had burst in three weeks previously, broken up office machinery, cut the telephone and thrown indelible ink everywhere. The group was protesting against Hanover as a possible site. Mme Defrene said: "Now our offices have police protection and next week our delegates will have to be protected as well." Names can be attached to the

three people who will cast Brit-ain's vote on Thursday. They are Roger James, head of a small exhibitions department in the information section of the Foreign Office; Mrs Hanna Kelner-Szwarc. a locally-hired member of the Paris embassy's information staff; and Ted Allan, one of the very few of those present with any knowledge of the logistics of a big exhibition. He said: "I have been connected with BIE since 1958. I know the animal. It works, We are rather a quiet little organization, and this attention is new. Obviously I cannot discuss who Britain will support, even if I knew. I expect to be told how to vote not before the evening before that vote is taken. In Britain's case, no one person decides. It is an item on a cabinet agenda. The Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs will carrying great weight with his colleagues. Remember, we have been asked for support by three

friendly nations.' Mr Allan, head of a BIE factfinding mission to the three competing cities, emphasized that this mission made no recommendation. "Not our task. We had to assess the feasibility of each city's proposal, and include any logistical difficulties we envisaged We did not discuss the political, diplomatic or environmental questions that might arise. "Lobbying? Provided it does

not go beyond what is reasonable we do not discourage it. Cities have sunk a great deal of expectation in their proposals and lobbying may be seen as an earnest of their desire to win."

Thursday's meeting has a hidden agenda of two items. One is the fear of many Venetians that Italy is tired of footing the bill for a unique city. They would sigh with secret relief if they could get away with walling in central Venice as a permanent outdoor museum while freeing their hands to develop the vast, newly-discovered gas resources just outside its lagoon, and the shipping potential of its port.

esare De Michelis has bitterly attacked international private restora-tion funds: "Foreigners can only love Venice if they think it's dying. They are strangling the city with their morbid love. Other cities are allowed to ruin themselves without the rest of the world making a fuss. Why shouldn't we?"

The second item concerns an attempt by Britain to play Machiavelli. The Germans are confident that the claims of Hanover will triumph. On that assumption, Britain has nothing to lose by giving Italy its vote. The vote would be wasted, of course, but would demonstrate what splendid chaps we are, paying off a debt, age. If that is the game it discounts the closeness of the likely result, and the impact on undecided nations if Britain claimed to see no danger in supporting Expo

Mr Allan says: "It is our hope that no one ever discovers who votes for whom - a great many steps are taken to ensure that this secret ballot remains precisely President Mitterrand has already proclaimed France's opposition rom the rooftops. How would Britain ever explainhow it gave its vote to barbarism? Byron wrote of Venice in 1818:

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Lap of honour Ferrari mounts an exhibition to make

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errari is an integral part of Italian national pride. After the war, when the country was struggling to rebuild an economy and a national image, the red cars, streaking to one victory after another, warmed the hearts of even those few Italians who took no interest in motor

An institution so important to national image could scarcely be absent from the series of events which have been organized to coincide with the World Cup. Consequently, it has mounted an exhibition of its classic machines from the Fifties and Sixties at the Forte di Belvedere, a massive 16th-century fortress overlooking the

city of Florence. The centrepieces are nine cars, each covered by a large glass cube: not so much to keep the sticky fingers of little boys off the precious carrozzeria, but to maintain constant temperature and humidity inside. This is not over-protection; a Ferrari GTO from the early Sixties recently beat all records for a classic car when it changed

hands for \$15 million (£9.4 million). Because Enzo Ferrari, who died last summer aged 91, insisted that every car built in his tiny factory near Modena had to be sold, Ferrari has had to go to collectors all over the world to bring together such brilliant and historically important models.

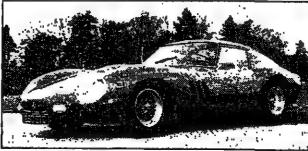
The oldest car is a 1948 Barchetta, the car that first put Ferrari on the racing map. Then there are the various Testarossa, GTO, Le Mans, and Daytona of the Fifties and Sixties, finishing with a 1971 512BB, the only rear-engined

car in the show. The rest of the exhibition - the first held by the company, now 90 per cent owned by Fiat - deals with design and production. There are the first sketches of engines, chassis and bodywork, full-size drawings, scale models, the wooden dummies of the bodies used by panelbeaters to hammer the sheet aluminium into complex and voluptuous curves. Most of this material comes from old storerooms at Pininfarina, the Turin body designer and builder who was responsible for almost all Ferrari's body-

work from the early Fifties. The exhibition, titled L'Idea Ferrari, runs until September 30, and is presented with all the grandeur of one of the year's top art exhibitions. Almost inevitably, some of Italy's cultural commentators have entered into a rather futile debate as to whether a Ferrari can be considered art

Enzo Ferrari, an austere and reserved man who loathed rhetoric, would probably have creations as art is pointless. He was a brilliant, single-minded engineer who simply wanted his cars to go faster than anybody else's, regardless of the cost. He built what were possibly the most beautiful internal combustion engines ever seen and a straightforward chassis or frame to put them in. It was others,

notably Pininfarina, who designed and built the bodies. What today is perceived as beauty was to a great extent a by-product of a search for structural and aerodynamic efficiency, and the result of northern Italy's long tradition of mechanical craftsmanship. PAUL BOMPARD



Moving sculpture: a classic from the Ferrari stable

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ngland does not swing "like a pendulum do", it moves a cally. "London itself has a energy," says wonderful flowing energy," says Gabrielle Roth, a dancer, teacher and experimental artist who believes that staying in touch with rhythms is the way to combat urban stress.

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Ms Roth is in lyrical London to explain a dance workout that promises to induce sensations from deepest peace to physical ecstasy. As it involves no pain, strain, discipline or committing to mind of complicated routines, the method has a certain

Ms Roth, who has developed herdance therapy over 20 years, is concerned with enhancing, rather than escaping, the modern western lifestyle. She regards her philosophy as a form of western Zen, since it is hased entirely on moving, in contrast to the stillness of eastern technique.

The principal goal of her methods is to cultivate the intuitive, spontaneous self by exploring the full range of the body's natural movements. In particular, she emphasizes the importance of becoming more aware of the five sacred "rhythms", defined as flowing, staccato, chaos, lyrical and

At her workshops this weekend Ms Roth will show participants not only how to recognize and make the most of their "base rhythm", but also to bring out the other four latent

Dance away your urban blues



If the spirit moves you: Gabrielle Roth, busy feeling London's lyricism

rhythms, so that all may co-exist harmoniously. This involves practising a wide range of movements of varying styles and speed, from very slow and almost static to wildly abandoned and orgiastic. You make up your own steps as you go along, since there is no right or wrong way.

Improved confidence and better relationships are said to be among the benefits. The unconscious mismatching of rhythm goes on all the time." Ms Roth maintains. "Lovers or married people get on each other's nerves, unaware that it is because each is operating in different rhythms.

People live in a place that slowly drives them crazy because they haven't caught its rhythm."

If you feel resistance to the whole idea, Ms Roth is not surprised. "People balk at entering chaos and find lyrical often foreign to them," she concedes. But we may be moving towards a kindler, gentler - if abandoned and sensuous - form of exercise. Two dances from Brazil, the Capuera and Contemporary Afro Brazilian, both of which incorporate elements of mysticism and ritualistic healing, are now being taught in London. Neither requires prior fitness or any special dance skills, and dancers report a deep sense of mental calm coupled with a soaring energy

high after each class.
For those who are still sceptical about the need to get rhythm, Ms Roth offers the example of New York, a city which used to move to "an essentially staccato beat, at its best a sharply uplifting jazzy, syncopated sort of energy". Now New York is too crazed, Ms Roth says. "The people are living in their heads, not their body or spirit, driven by gain. The city has tipped over into borderline chaos."

Gabrielle Rath is holding workshops today and this weekend at the Lancaster Hall Hotel, 35 Craven Terrace, London W2. For more information contact the Open Gate on 0272 734952.

Singing while the economy burns

Skiathos: Last Wednesday there was a general strike here of all civil servants. Actually, there is a nationwide strike in Greece about once a week now and very pleasant it is, too, as long as one is prepared. "Would you mind filling up the car sometime today?" asked my bost politely at breakfast on Tuesday. "The petrol stations will be on strike tomorrow."

Next day, indeed, the telephone barely worked and the planes landed only occasionally; the newspapers were not flown in from the mainland and, for all I know, Mr Yeltsin has led Russia out of the Soviet Union, leaving Mr Gorbachov to rule over Lithuania with Mrs Thatcher's unswerving support. The Greeks, it seems, have discovered that what made Britain great again was a decade or two of continuous striking and they are getting the hang of it beautifully. This is more trying, of course, in urban centres than fishing villages, such as Skiathos. Last winter in Athens, strong winds and a mild rain on the ninth day of the dustmen's strike created a bracing atmosphere for Athenian olfactory systems.

Conventional wisdom says

this pottage is all the fault of years of continual featherbedding by Mr Papandreou. He assured his election by adding legions of civil servants to the rolls and giving them heavily indexed salaries together with a little light work. This has not only bankrupted the Greek econonly, but, equally bad, created a large class of people with no particular concern about the state of the national economy. Now the clerks are miffed. The current prime minister, Mr Mitsotakis, has said he is no longer going to index public sector salaries to inflation (currently about 18 per cent) and that hurt. Hence the

My own view is that this is only half the story. If one were to set up a rule of thumb about national character, it might be that charm is antithetical to efficiency. I remember George Mikes' celebrated comment that German Jews managed to combine Prussian charm with Jewish modesty. In that vein, one might say that Greeks are too busy being charming to be efficient. They are, after all, not only among the best-looking people in Europe, but remain the most personable. materialize on my luncheon' ate, except in terms of the mind. It's harmless, of course,



BARBARA AMIEL

whose winning ways exceeded both the delay and the £85 he

charged for my meal?
Not all Greek delights are accessible. My one night in Athens ought to be spent at a good bazouki spot, I thought, and so I went off to see Mr Alaftharios Pantazis, assured by the concierge at the Grand Bretagne that Mr Pantazis was the very best singer on the circuit. The taxi driver agreed, "He gets \$10,000 a night," he said reverentially. At about lam, after a number of energetic dancers and rather

Anarchists terrorize Greece's citizens and demonstrations clog its streets. Still, the Greeks remain curiously optimistic in the face of chaos

mediocre singers, Mr Pantazis appeared to tumultuous applause and a volley of tinfoil

Alas, it appears Greeks no longer huri crockery to demonstrate their enthusiasm, rather they purchase foil dishes filled with gardenias at about £2 a go. The feiles at the table next to me bought a dozen of these dishes at a time, hurling flowers at Mr Pantazis or their dates as the spirit moved them. The first gardenia hit my sallow cheek at about 1.30am. This sort of How else, indeed, to account exuberant display is typically for my happiness at waiting what we Northern people one-and-a-half hours for a called charming, but honestly vicious looking lobster to I think about an hour of it would drive me out of my

allowing the hurler to display both wealth and masculinity, but I sense that it doesn't go hand in hand with good

telephone service. Earlier in the evening, I stumbled upon an outdoor wedding at a small Greek orthodox church opposite the Acropolis. There was a buzz of lights and cameras. "The groom is one of Greece's most famous journalists," whis-pered an onlooker. I would have guessed it, actually. There is a uniform look to journalists the world over that goes beyond our chronically soiled appearance and speaks to a small patch of sourness in

our souls. Anyway, just as the couple were saying their vows, a car pulled up and the Greek prime minister jumped out and scrambled up to the church. His arrival coincided with the ending of the Acropolis' son et lumière performances, so there was an awful confusion of dumpy Americans in Reeboks pushing past the prime minister and wedding enerts. As I was ched the sacred guests. As I watched the sacred and profane collide, it all seemed rather an easy metaphor for Greece.

In the past year, Greece has seen three elections, four governments, and two — or is it three? — hung parliaments. Strikes rule Greece's economy, anarchists terrorize its citizens and demonstrations led by priests and nihilists clog its streets. Still, the Greeks remain curiously optimistic, even gay in the face of chaos. I don't know enough about modern Greece to comment on its social institutions, but one notes with amazement its mix of a high tradition of civilization and the depressed economy of a Third World

One thinks back to the lengthy civil war in Greece between the communists and non-communists which, in its bloody and awful terror, was almost Lebanese in character. Part of the answer to the Greek riddle, one supposes, may lie in the Middle Eastern influences here. Mr Pantazis' songs, after all, which touched such a chord in his audience, sounded to me like Italian soul in Arab arrangements.

But here, away from Athens, in the pretty hills of Skiathos, the only worry is where to put the 7,000 package tour arrivals who will descend on the island daily once high season begins — strikes permitting. Until they arrive, the odd villager mends a net. It's off-season, you see, and residents of fishing villages have to do something, so they

Sins of the father revisited

Gitta Sereny on the private agonies suffered by the

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children of Nazi war criminals

he high point of the new film Music Box is a cri de coeur from the central character, a naturalized American accused of having been the most atrocious of the murderous Arrow Cross police officers in Budapest in

"This man couldn't do this - it's not me," he cries in "Don't you understand? I'm the father of two American children. I'm ...

I'm ... "and then he faints.

By this point in the film, several transparently honest witnesses have told their shastly stories, and have identified a photograph of a young uniformed man as the monstrous "Mishka".

What makes this moment so extraordinary is that the director, Costa Gavras, dares to suggest that a changed, perhaps quite another, Mishka Laszlo really may be able, at that moment, to believe he is

not that man. The idea for this film came Demjanjuk, where the man accused of being "Ivan the Terrible" of Treblinks, the concentration camp in Poland, claims it is a case of mistaken identity. But the film is much more than that. M Gavras injects dimensions of morality which make us confront our own innate prejudices, and add to our understanding of incomprehensible human conflicts. "I am documenting and transmitting memories."

Defending the indefensible: daughter and father in a courtroom scene condition -- only this may make us stronger.

Music Box explores the relationship between the mill worker Mishka, and the lawyer daughter he adores. Defending him before a Jewour under-ish judge, she wins the case. But her despair at what she hears in the court, and her father's subtle metamorphosis from refugee humility to Arrow Cross arrogance, force her

Demjanjuks - and their fam- inconceivable, isn't it, what he ilies, the central conflicts are achingly familiar. I knew Franz Stangi best. I

imprisonment as an accessory to the murder of hundreds of thousands during his tenure as commandant of Treblinka. His wife had no idea what

her husband was doing until she and their two small girls were allowed to visit him in June 1942. He was then at Sobibor, where his job, he told her as he installed his family a manor house five kilometres from the extering "construction projects".

Two weeks into the holiday a young SS man, tipsy and desperate, told her the truth. The next day Stangl - after ssuring her his was merely an administrative job and he was about to be transferred anyway - sent his family home. His transfer was to Treblinka. Thirty years later, in Brazil, Theresa Stangl told me that

after Sobibor, she couldn't bear knowing, so she blocked it out. "I never allowed myself to think that women and children had been killed . . . I had to think like this, in order to maintain our life and, if you like, my sanity. He was an incredibly good and kind father . . . the children adored

him."
When I met Renata, the but nothing — nothing on believes it. "Are the accuse earth — will make me believe these cases victims, too?" that he has knowingly done wrong. I know it is illogical; I witnesses; and now I know what he himself said to you.

SS corporal in charge of the gas chambers in Treblinka; later, and his son Horst and daughter-in-law took him in. "What else could we do?" said Horst. "He is my father. When they came to arrest him, I didn't know anything. All he was, you know, before, was a little carpenter in the Sudetenland. But when he got that black SS uniform, he changed beyond recognition. And

"Mishka Laszlos" - or John then, in Treblinka - it is was brought to believe he was. The power, the uniqueness the difference between himself spent weeks talking to him in Düsseldorf prison in 1971, after he was sentenced to life in Dear God, how shall I tell my son?

And Demjanjuk, whose case is now on appeal in Israel? "If I thought my father served in his son John Jr Sobibor," recently said in an American documentary, "then I could no longer support him."

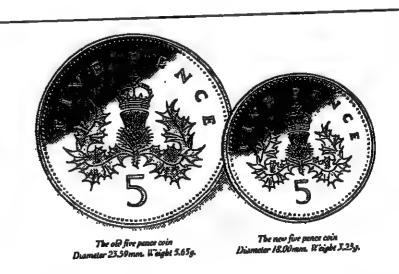
In 1987 I took John Jr and his two older sisters to lunch in Jerusalem. They were and are - polite, exhausted and very sad. They knew that I mination camp, was supervis- had doubts that their father had been "Ivan the Terrible" but, equally, that I was certain he had been part of the murder programme in Poland, as a guard in Sobibor and elsewhere. At that point, I still hoped that something could be done to help that otherwise doomed man to admit to the slightly less damaging truth.
"Could you not let him
know," I asked, "that even if,
as a 22-year-old peasant boy,
he was persuaded by the Nazis to serve them, probably without knowing what it was he would have to do, you could still love him?" They were silent, which gave me hope.

ut "Your Honours, I'm innocent, innocent, INNOCENT," Demjanjuk stated youngest of Stangl's two not long afterwards daughters, she was 33 years at his trial — and held out his old, slim, blonde, with a hand to a survivor of delicate and vulnerable face. Treblinka, who had identified "He was the best father, the him over and over as Ivan. "So what do you say?" I best friend anyone could ever best friend anyone could ever have had," she said. "All I can say is that I have read all that's been written about my father but nothing — nothing on believes it. "Are the accused in believes it."

"I think they end up as their own victims," he said. "It is know about the trial and the no excuse, no justification nothing is. I do feel, though, that human beings are subject But he was my father ... I to the morals which surround love him. I will always love them in childhood and the laws which govern their Gustav Münzberger was the environment in adolescence.
S corporal in charge of the "It is perhaps worth remembering that the most sentenced to 12 years in 1965, civilized society on earth, he was discharged six years ancient Greece, was the only country in the world where laws were made by men setting their minds above and beyond religious ethics. I am an agnostic, but I profoundly believe that human beings must individually carve out

> what memories can help, can teach us, to do."

their destinies. Perhaps that is



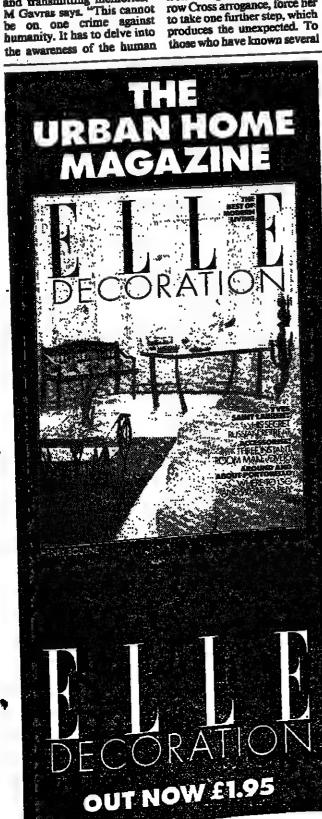
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Summer springs some surprises

John Russell Taylor welcomes the new-look Tate Gallery's bold line on neo-classicism, and finds the Royal Academy Summer

Exhibition even more agreeably unpredictable than usual

he first of the Tate Gallery's big set-pieces since the radical rehang, Classic Ground (Millbank, London SW1, until September 2), is a show of passionate, even ferocious, intelligence. The reasoning behind it may be off-putting, but the passion cannot be ignored or

Under its placid-seeming surface, the show is determinedly contentious. According to the critical orthodoxy of the last halfcentury there has been one acceptable road for modern art, from Impressionism to Abstraction. Anybody who failed or refused to learn the lessons of Analytical Cubism and went right on with Figurative Art into the Twenties and Thirties was dismissed as retrograde - unless, like Picasso. he was too important to be relegated. That, at least, is how we saw things until the Eighties, when a widespread return to figurative painting triggered a reappraisal of 20th-century art history.

The alternative, figurative tradition, its roots and early branches, is what On Classic Ground is all about. In the midst of the chaos, physical and emotional, occasioned by the First World War, the young Jean Cocteau demanded a "recall to order". He meant that artists should renounce the unbridled subjectivity of pre-war art movements such as Expressionism and Futurism, and return to human representation; particularly, to the long-

despised Classical tradition. Cocteau was reflecting his time rather than directing it. Neo-Classicism, however, was primarily the prerogative of Mediterranean cultures, and On Classic Ground sensibly sticks to painters and sculptors from France, Italy and Spain (mainly Catalonia). It is controversial in giving equal space to Spain and Italy. We would expect to see Léger, Derain, the chameleon Picasso and De Chirico, but we would not expect to see, in the same context, painters as unfamiliar as Sunyer or

Casorati, sculptors such as Martini or Gargallo. The point made is that they are unfamiliar precisely because they are not French, and do not fit in with the view that anything important must have

Even if the reasoning leaves you cold, there is no doubt about the appeal of most of the art exhibited. It is good to be reminded of the monumental side of Matisse, which never loses sight of human values, and the bursting vitality of Picasso's personal recall to order. It is fascinating to see a couple of very early Miros and Dalis, and to observe how good they were before whimsy took over in one case and slickness in the other.

The show has the most impressive of all Carra paintings, "The Daughters of Lot", where the geometry and the Neo-Primitivism are kept in rapt balance (Carra is a painter best appreciated in small doses). The organizers have the wit to hang together a small Cézanne "Bathers" and a Gris pencil copy of just such a painting, to make the connection instantly clear. Anyone who has not before encountered such grand and tranquil works as Felice Casorati's Silvana Cenni", Achille Funi's "Maternity" or Joaquim Sunyer's "Pastoral", or sculptures as breathtakingly simple as Arturo Martini's "Torso", viewed from

the back, has a treat in store.

Also on classic ground, in a rather different sense, is the Royal Academy's 222nd Summer Exhibition (Piccadilly, London W1; until August 19). This year the Academy seems to be pushing the idea of a great leap forward, the definitive welcome into these hallowed halls of Abstraction, to show that at last the Academy is

It is certainly true that there is more Abstraction around this year, and that it is mixed in with other styles in a sensible way. Moreover, the Academy appears to have convinced a number of our better Abstractionists that its interest is sincere.

Yet the Academy seems sublimely unaware that the trend of the last decade has brought fashion round to it, instead of requiring it to bend to fashion. Never mind. The overall result is a lively and agreeable show, making the Academy's wavering quality control on these occasions seem an accurate reflection of the anything-goes pluralism apparent on the art-scene today.

Some old Academy stand-bys have suffered in the process. The little South Room normally reserved for the smallest and most fiddling, and often most haunting, paintings has let in much fuzziness and vagueness this year, Peter Hodson's "The Dovecot at Naunton" being a notable exception. The architecture room is dominated by Neo-Classical or Neo-Elizabethan pastiche.

In sculpture, things are looking up, with distinctive work by some of our more uncompromisingly eccentric (and instantly recognizable) artists such as Eduardo Paolozzi and Michael Sandle on view, as well as distinctive pieces



"Maternity", 1921, by Achille Funi, from the On Classic Ground exhibition at the Tate Gallery

by relative newcomers such as Ana Maria Pacheco (a giant and intimidating polychromatic head) and Dhruva Mistry (an exquisitely fragile boat in plaster).

Eccentricity is indeed, as so often in the past, the saving grace of the summer show. It is sad to note how many Academicians have memorial displays this year. Robert Buhler, Ruskin Spear, Cecil Collins, Edward Bawden, Betty Swanwick, Feliks Topolski, William Scott. But it is enlightening to note also their extraordinary variety, and the vitality this

Academy's search for a rapprochement with modernism; in Britain. at least, rooted oddity has been the vital force, and it is silly to try to reduce it to order now.

Happily, too, the best of the younger generation seem equally wayward. Look at the tense, subtly violent New York scenes of Bill Jacklin, the Magic Realist pictures of Alfred Whiteley, the heaving, tempestuous landscape-based abstractions of the new R.A., Anthony Whishaw, the coolly immaculate industrial interiors of Ben Johnson, the abstracted land-

This is the real answer to the scapes of Philip Jones, the weirdness of David Hepher, Mick Rooney and Graham Crowley.

There are too many pastiches of Schiele and Nolde, too many flower pieces some way after Matisse. But there are also genuine Academy lunacies such as Gary James's neo-Holman Hunt "River Market™, illusionistically-carved frame and all, and neglected artists such as William Belcher who, with a decent representation, suddenly look pretty good. Amazingly, the Academy retains its ability to surprise, and this year the surprises are mostly very pleasant.

CRITICS' CHOICE: ART AND AUCTIONS

ART EXHIBITIONS

TROPICAL: Admirers of Adman George's draughtsmanship, frequently seen in The Times, will be intrigued to see his latest, lushest work, inspired by a trip last year to the South Seas. Francis Kyle, 9 Maddox Street, Londor W1 (071-499 6870). Mon-Fri, 10am-6pm, Sat, 11am-5pm, until July 5.

PICTURED PEOPLE: The National Portrait Gallery's annual Portrait Award has become the BP Award. Otherwise the mixture as before: in parts good, in parts alarmingly awful. National Portrait Gallery, St Martin's Place, London WC2 (071-306 0055). Mon-Fri, 10am-5pm, Sat, 10am-6pm, Sun, 2-6pm, until September 2.

AMANDA FAULKNER: A powerful, pelpably feminist young painter; Glenys Barton's ceramic Artists and Green Warnors are harder to pin down. Flowers East (both exhibitions), 199/205 Richmond Road, London E8 (081-985 3333), Tues-Sun, 10am-6pm, until July 1.

MAJOLICA REVISITED: Majolica has not been a medium much used figures are legendary rather than folksy Michaelson & Orient, \$28 Portobello 10 30am 5.30pm, until June 23.

PATRICK HAYMAN: Anyone who went to his last show at Camden Arts Centre and liked it, will enjoy a further Blond Fine Art, Unit 10, Canalside Studios, 2-4 Orsman Road, London N1 (071-739 4383). Tues-Sun, 11am-6pm,

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JOHN SHAW

Adventurousness does not have to depend on money Paul Griffiths commends the budget-conscious quirkiness of a West Country music festival

lesson from most of our A festivals is the bound, iting one that adventurous programming is the first victim of financial stringency. But somehow Amelia Freedman at the Bath Festival is keeping up the engagingly off-centre traditions established in the 1970s by Michael Tippett and William Glock. This is, of course, by its architectural nature, a place for classical chamber music, which quite properly forms the bulk of the repertory, but the Bath Festival now has an identity beyond that of the city (indeed, it has a geography beyond that of the city, spreading out to Bristol, Wells and village churches), and part of its specialness is its serious concern with new music and jazz.

One particularly valuable Bath tradition is that of the mini-retrospective of a chosen younger British composer. This year Colin Matthews was represented by his big musical narrative The Great Journey and by several chamber

pieces, including a new work, Five Concertinos, commissioned for the wind quintet of the Ensemble InterContemporain, though played in the event with the assistance of Angela Malsbury on the bass clarinet. No explanation was offered as to why the French clarinettist could not undertake the doubling.

Each of the two-minute concertinos is a single musical state with one of the instruments as soloist and also as outsider. The oboe begins, with declamatory insistence recalling its role in Varèse's Intégrales. Then comes a sequence of oily bubblings over a prominent motif from the bass clarinet, and a flicking mechanical march with the bassoon out of step. The piccolo leads the ensemble into drifting high chords, and finally the horn sets off an

increasingly prickly debate. All the pieces are neatly made,

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and the concertino device helps overcome the problems of sonority and form inherent in this grouping. But it was unhelpful programming to remind us immediately that the same trick had been used by Ligeti in his Ten

Matthews dedicated his new work to Henri Dutilleux, who was also present at the testival to hear brief moments from his ocuvre. His wife Geneviève Joy played a new piano prelude, Le jeu des contraires, and was joined by Florent Boffard in Figures de résonance, then the Scottish Chamber Orchestra under Jukka-Pekka Saraste introduced Mystère de l'instant, the latest in the endless parade of pieces commissioned by Paul Sacher.

The work is scored for strings with sporadic contributions from percussion and, as in the composer's recent Violin Concerto, a

cimbalom, which provides not only atmosphere in its janglings but also the sense of a giant, distorted pizzicato, a nightmare carried on the floating body of strings. And float the music does. Dutilleux's harmonic language, rooted in flavoursome diatonic discords reminiscent sometimes of Ravel or Bartok, lends itself to luxuriation; the quicker impulses tend to come from ostinatos, while the fascinations lie in the colouring: harmonics, glissandos and

wide gaps between registers. Dutilieux has said that he wrote Mystère de l'instant as a sequence of improvisations, but in fact the ten short sections are linked into a fluid continuity by the character and essential simplicity of the style, with its emphases on single lines or mass effects, on arpeggiolike gestures and on gradual metamorphosis. Even when the penultimate section pays a com-

pliment to the commissioner in transcribing his name, the new motif, because the composer has fitted it into his style, does not ruffle the surface of the dream. Apart from contemporary music, the Bath Festival this year

has drawn some of its special colour from the music of Spain. brought to Wells Cathedral this the Escolania de Montserrat. This was the first time the boys from the national shrine of Catalonia had appeared in this country, and they introduced themselves with a programme divided between 16th-century Spanish polyphony and the work more specifically of Montserrat composers during the two centuries that followed.

The chief astonishment, however, was their sound, and in particular the great gap between a lustrous, seamless treble line and a dark, low, almost surly alto part: when the boys were joined by a group of five tenors, these altos often seemed still to be at the bottom of the texture. The 16th-century part of the

programme consisted of a succession of short pieces coming to a climax with four by Victoria. In the second half the dominant figure was Joan Cererols, represented by a Kyrie and Gloria, and by a couple of lively vernacular pieces, all usefully given some Context by the Hamboyant C/W omnes of his teacher Joan March. Most of this part of the programme is to be repeated tomor

row evening in Clifton Cathedral with a second half completing the history of Montserrat up to the music of the monastery's present musical director, Ireneu Segarra, whose excellence as a choirmaste was already shown at Wells (several of the pieces were sung with total confidence from memory).

● On Tuesday, Richard Morrison will be reporting on the Aldeburgh Festival's opening weekend.

THEATRE

Shadow soap-boxing bout

n response to a feeling that in the last decade the British theatre has been unresponsive to public events. and that lack of charity should perhaps begin at home, the Royal Court launches a series of staged dialogues this weekend. Writers and commentators, from Julie Burchill to the Bishop of Durham, and from Manfred Karge to Roger Scruton, have been asked to consider the way we live now.

One of the opening contributors is Mark Fisher, Shadow Minister for the Arts and the only likely old Etonian of the cabinet-in-waiting (assuming he manages to secure a seat in it). Fisher's dialogue questions iberal inclinations and attitudes towards censorship, questioning whether the latter is always wrong. That may seem an un-

predictable query to come from a Labour arts spokesman, but Fisher has always been unlikely casting. The son of a Tory MP for Surbiton, he moved on from Eton (where Tam Dalyell was the only other future star socialist of his schooldays) to Cambridge: "I had vague thoughts of becoming an actor," he says, "until it dawned on me that I never knew what to do with my hands. So then I formed a film group with the sons of Rex Harrison and Roy Boulting and we got one of our productions into the San Sehastian festival. We also commissioned Harrison Birtwistle's first film score. But a career in critically-acclaimed short documentaries rapidly declined into writing rubbishy thrillers, so I turned to the theatre instead."

Fisher's glittering-prize start but the latest looks as though

Mark Fisher MP, **Shadow Minister** for the Arts, has written a stage

dialogue, in the West End tonight. He talks to

Sheridan Morley Theatre in Basingstoke, and I

think it was the only time in Arts Council history that a even to earn back its grant at Peter Cheeseman's Theatrein-the-Round at Stoke, intending to write and teach, but that was where the career started to change."

Fisher was offered a job running a Centre for Further Education where, through the early 1970s, he organized artist-in-residence courses and became deeply involved in local politics. By 1981 he was on the Staffordshire County Council and in 1983, at the age of 39, he became MP for Stoke-on-Trent Central. "I belong to that Labour generation which has never known a Ministry: there are only about five front-bench opposition new world."

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Fisher: His play failed ipation of a Labour victory at the next election, Fisher

promises to pull together all the culture industries (heritage, archaeology, publishing, the box-office during a run of recording film, theatre, design three weeks. Then I went to and architecture) under one ministry which will also take responsibility for the dev-elopment of and access to broadcasting, though regula-tion of that would stay with the Home Office. What this means, essentially, is an arts ministry with (for the first time) its own economic clout, a powerful organization rather than a nominal authority.

Fisher also supports the VAT zero-rating of the performing arts, which would give the RSC alone an extra £1.5 million a year, and he aims to make arts funding the statutory responsibility of ev-ery local authority: "I don't plan to set any minimum level spokesmen who have ever of compulsory grant, because been in office, and only two of those were in cabinet, so it's a stick to the bottom, but there has to be a mandatory require-Fisher was given the Arts ment on local government to job in January 1987 and has support the arts, and we have been shadowing Richard Luce to get cultural policies acever since. His earliest policy cepted by all the departments cepted by all the departments

"Just as you can't run a Green policy without the at Cambridge: "I got an Arts it could run and run. Outlin- involvement of, say, Trans-Council grant of £250 to write ing an Arts and Media Min-port, we've got to make sure a play for the new Horseshoe istry under Labour, in antic-an Arts Ministry spreads, like

Environment and Equal Opportunities, through all departments. Hospitals need good designers and landscape gardeners as well as medical facilities."

But there are notes of caution here too: Fisher is well aware that Kinnock has not yet even guaranteed his arts minister a cabinet ranking. "Labour arts policy is cer-tainly not to issue blank cheques or write off all deficits. We do have expansionist plans, but I still don't believe you solve arts problems by throwing money at them. At the moment a third of Britain's performing companies are trading in deficit, with an accumulated loss of many millions and audiences dropping by anywhere from 10 to -20 per cent as the economy worsens and there is less money to spend on tickets. "But the arts need manage-

ment as well as money, when the French managed to double their government subsidy, it took months, if not years, to build an administration which could handle the new money intelligently. I don't want a vast, bureaucratic arts machine, but a small, light-footed ministry to pull together all of. the arts and applied in-

The experience of Glasgow is that a whole city has been turned around by its arts policy. Now we have to do that for the rest of the country, thinking laterally. For 2 per cent of the £550 million it currently costs to run Britain's parks, they could be turned into centres of performing excellence as well. There's a lot to do." And, of course, election to be won.

Mark Fisher's dialogue, at the Royal Court Theatre Upstairs. Sloane Square. London SWI (071-730 1745) tonight at 7pm,

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Aztec Camera: Stray (WEA 9031-71694-1)

THERE is an academic quality about Aztec Camera that extends from the very name of the "group" - in reality nothing more than an ad hoc vehicle for the singing, guitar playing and writing of young Roddy Frame - to the heart of the music itself. Frame is one of those gifted performers with a sophisticated musical bent. Like Ray Davies in his prime, he creates finely-sculpted, popular times that hang together so comfortably you feel that you have known them all your life.

On Stray, the focus of attention has shifted away from the drippy love songs and soul ballad pas-tiches which typified Love, the last Aztec Camera album, released in 1987. Instead, there is a raft of uptempo, rocky material such as "Crying Scene", "Get Outta London" and "How It Is" that is despatched with brisk panache and a rollicking Charlie Watts-

style backbeat.

But then, like a radio being flipped at random between stations, the music snaps disconcertingly into the schmaltzy, cocktaillounge ballad of "Over my Head" or the meandering navel-contemplation of "Notting Hill Blues" and "Song for a Friend": two songs which close the album on a regrettably maudlin note.

Most revealing of all is the

sudden appearance of Mick Jones on "Good Morning Britain", a virtually perfect pastiche of the Big Audio Dynamite sound. Chameleon-like as ever, Frame blurs the edges of his normally resonant, wholesome voice to fit in with Jones's anaemic mumble.

Frame has the requisite technique and imagination to make Stray the desirable artefact that it undoubtedly is, but he tries too hard to be all things to all people. Eventually, one is left wondering what, if anything, his music really stands for.

Steve Val: Passion and Warfare (Food For Thought GRUB 17)

What is either overlooked or simply taken for granted in the rush to dismiss heavy rock/metal music as some sort of farcical Boy's Own aberration is how extraordinarily well-played most of it is. Thus, we may be absolutely confident that a guitarist who has survived stints with Frank Zappa and David Lee Roth and was subsequently implored by David Coverdale to join Whitesnake, is going to know his way

round a fretboard. What does come as something of a surprise is how richly varied, accessible and generally entertaining Steve Vai's solo début is, considering it is an almost entirely

instrumental collection of tunes played in the hard rock idiom.

The reference points which quickly come to mind are Eddie Van Halen, particularly on the squealing "Erotic Nightmares" and Jeff Beck, whose recording of the Jan Hammer song "Blue Wind" is echoed here on a number called "I Would Love To".

But Vai invests enough of himself in the music to rise above such comparisons, most notably on the gorgeously delicate, twinkling, post-Hendrix arpeggios of "Sisters" and the magisterial Nineties' blueswailing textures of Blue Powder", making this an intelligent piece of work.

Marc Almond: Enchanted (Parlophone PCS 7844)

Once again, dear Marc Almond mints the most exquisitely decadent musical coin from the basest of ores. His hishly orchestrated songs are populated by a rogues' gallery of characters - "Waifs and Strays", "A Lover Spurned", "Orpheus in Red Velvet" - most of them bent over by the weight of their anger, grief or loneliness and all destined to dispense or receive wild extremes of joy and pain.

With his precise enunciation and arch delivery, Almond re-mains a master of the threeminute melodrama, but the most pleasing aspect of this album is the freshness he has injected into his themes. "Madame de la Luna" has all the vitality of a great traditional show tune, while the graceful Lambada rhythm of "Carnival of Life" sweeps all before it. Most impressive of all is "Death's Diary", a modern parable of considerable wit and insight, with a constantly repeated chorus that has the kind of magical quality that has enabled some folk rhymes to survive for centuries.

James: Gold Mother (Fontana 848 189-1)

Despite freshening up their act with a recent batch of personnel changes, and the canny drafting in of the fashionable Inspiral Carpets as backing singers on the title track, James is still a band which bears the mark of the old, discredited Smiths-dominated

Their fourth album, Gold Mother, is a solid trawl through the back pages of Sixties' rock, executed with a classic indie-band mixture of carelessness and flair. The hit single "How was it for you?" is by far the best example of their bouncy, ringing pop, but the formula does not always produce material that sticks so firmly in the memory or which is sufficiently distinct to cut through the general clamour of Nineties music.

DAVID SINCLAIR.

Not-so-lucky old Sun shines on

David Toop talks to

Sun Ra, supremely idiosyncratic veteran

US bandleader

pace vibrations have been keeping Sun Ra awake for the past month."The frequency moves so fast," he complains. Unfortunately, they do not prevent him from falling asleep during one of my questions. His assistant, a quiet young man with dreadlocks, gently touches him to wake him and his eyes open. "I am listen-

ing," he says.
Sun Ra has been listening to the space vibrations and painting his musical pictures of infinity for at least three-and-a-half decades. As with everything else in his life, the formation of his first band in Chicago was an event surrounded by deliberate mystification. A. photograph exists, dated circa

1956, which shows a group called Sun Ra and his Men, all dressed conventionally in dark suits and striped ties. There are also records from this period, with track titles such as "Tapestry from an As-teroid", "Lullaby for Realville" and "Kingdom of Not".

These science-fiction odes to the future could be linked historically with the percussive blocks of sounds composed by Edgard Va-rèse or the jazz arranging of Tadd Dameron and Duke Ellington, particularly Ellington's Jungle Band of the late 1920s. They are most unusual in conveying a strong sense of being the first steps in Sun Ra's creation of himself as the central force of a bizarre and self-contained artistic universe.

The US is beset with eccentrics who ordain themselves as the heads of mail-order churches based on UFO sightings. Such visions are rarely constructive, even for their devotees, but Sun Ra's vehicle of creative and philosophical expression, his Arkestra, has been maintained, against all the economic odds, in continually changing forms as a touring and recording unit. He is in London, following an invitation to play in Moscow to celebrate the space flight of Yuri Gagarin, and his concert on Sunday, performing on the same bill as Cabaret Voltaire and A Guy Called Gerald, will introduce him to yet another generation of rock

This periodic rediscovery of Sun Ra's music seems to coincide with each new phase of ecological



San Ra: "Use your imagination and get out of the most drab places by simply holding onto the imagination and making it real."

awareness and spiritual inquiry. Now in his mid-seventies, Ra is not discouraged by the peaks and dips of public enthusiasm. "This planet has always rejected innovators," he says. Commercial record companies occasionally fund a recording but the majority of his album releases — often esti-mated to exceed 100 — have appeared on his own labels. Labels such as Thoth and El Saturn, sometimes recorded in Solar Fidelity or Galacto-Fidelity, have always been highly desirable collectors' items, but during the last two years a number of releases have raised the Sun Ra profile

A version of "Pink Elephants on Parade", the hallucination song from Dumbo, appeared on Hal Wilner's recent collection of interpretations of Walt Disney music. Two complementary releases followed. The rock label, Blast First, compiled a selection of rare tracks from the late 1960s, Out There a Minute, while the A&M Modern Masters series released Blue Delight, a recently recorded album.

Records cannot convey the unique blend of low-budget spectacle, gravity and sly humour contained within a Sun Ra performance. Seated at the grand piano in the reception of his hotel, dressed in robes and a hat which

can best be described as examples of extra-terrestrial Oxfam chic, he drifts into a jet-lagged reverie and improvises a piece which en-compasses impressionistic tone clusters, rhapsodic runs, some jazz balladry and hints of Harlem stride pianos. The image is at once absurd and affecting. Few other musicians have created a myth of

such dogged thoroughness.

Little is known of his background. He was born in Alabama and studied music. "I never wanted to be a leader," he says. "Even in high school they elected me a valedictorian. I turned it down. I didn't want that because I saw what was happening to lead-

ers. I thought leaders were an endangered species." He moved to Chicago and played in Fletcher Henderson's band, contributing his advanced harmonies and feel for sound. Eventually, the need to lead his own band became too strong to ignore.

"Imagination makes everything nice," Ra says. "Use your imagination and get out of the most drab places by simply holding on to the imagination and making it real." That sums up the most unusual bandleading career of the century.

For details of the British appearances by Sun Ra and his Arkestra, see the Jazz listings below.

MUSIC BUSINESS

Small guys grow up and get tougher

Rose Rouse on the fourth Umbrella

seminar, a trade fair for the independent

record industry In the late 1970s, the punk movement spawned an alter-native music scene. Major record labels no longer provided the only access to making records. Suddenly all manner of obscure little bands were having 500 singles pressed up, which they

then sold at their concerts. "Do it yourself" was the key phrase and independent record labels such as Stiff, Rough Trade, and Factory were the result.
However, these days the independent music sector has changed. Only too aware of its unprofessional reputation in the mid-1980s - a difficult period for indie labels when many bands such as Aztec Camera and Scritti Politti forsook the family al-mosphere at Rough Trade for

business sense at the majors - the independent labels reorganized and joined the enterprise culture. Consequently, they have become increasingly successful.

"In the mid-1980s, the majors had started to weaken the independent scene by buying up a lot of their bands," says Christopher Williams, chairman of Umbrella, the independent music association. But the proliferation of independent dance labels has changed all of that," Additionally, bands like New Order, Depeche Mode, and Happy Mondays have made a conscious decision to stay independent. "They have given people more confidence not to sign with a major," says Williams.
"Even the decision by PWL Stock, Aitken, and Waterman's labell to stay independent as a matter of principle has strength-ened our standing."

There are now more than 250 active independent record labels in Britain, and although the top five are responsible for most of it, the indie sector accounts for 20 per cent of the singles market and 15 per cent of the album market. Within a £400m music industry,

these percentages represent a considerably larger slice than three years ago. They also mean the independent industry is able to take itself more seriously. This month sees the fourth Umbrella seminar, which is a trade fair and information exchange for the in-dependent music industry.

The Umbrella - the association of independent record labels with as a pressure group seven years We got together in response to Music Week's arbitrary decision to include records that were distributed by major labels in the alternative charts," says Williams. "We saw it as a move to increase ad-base support for those pages."
Two years later, they won Music Week over, but by that time they



Depeche Mode: Made a conscious decision to stay independent

mutual complaints.

Traditionally, organizations like the BPI have made decisions without consulting the indepen-dent sector," says Williams. "So you get a situation where an independent record has sold enough to get in the charts. But it's not eligible because it doesn't conform to BPI rules. For instance, it may have too many tracks or it may be too short. Such issues will be discussed in depth at their seminar weekend as will the minutiae of distribution and the television satellite sta-

Rough Trade with 500 seven-inch singles and expect instant help. They want the band to handle some promotions themselves and do effective live performances, says Williams. The independent industry is growing up, and the Umbrella seminar should help in this sometimes difficult process. The fourth Umbrella seminar takes place at the Novotel Hotel, Hammersmith, London W6, on June 16 & 17. More information from 081-991 5591.

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URBAN DANCE SQUAD: Posthip hop/heavy rock fiends from Amsterdam with a ferocious and compelling live show. Guided by Rude Boy Remington's whiplash raps, the band deploys deft Hendrix gurtar quotes, with a bass sound cranked to overkill. Marquee, 105 Charing Cross Road, London WC2 (071-437 6603), Wed, 7pm, £5. THEY MIGHT BE GIANTS: The two Johns from Brooklyn. Their album, Flood, came with more than its fair share of bilge, but they have charmed audiences with their hyperactive combination of harmony pop, vaudeville and lightweight rock 'n' roll. Irish Centre, York Road, Leeds (0532 480887), Mon. 7.30pm, E6. Ritz, Whitworth Street West, Manchester (061 236 4355), Tues, 7.30pm, 26. Pavilion, 121 Renfield

GARY MOORE: Heavy-metal guitar whizz who has not spared the horses in his attempts to claim a set of blues credentials retrospectively. He has roped in veterans Albert Collins and Albert King to lend weight to his album, Edinburgh Playhouse, 18-21 Greenside Place (031 557 2590).

Street, Glasgow (041 332 1846),

Thurs, 7.30pm, £6.

Sun, 7.30pm, £10-£11. Newcastle City Hall, Northumberland Road (091 261 2606), Mon. 7.30pm, £10-£11. Hull City Hall, Victoria Square (0482 226655). Tues, 7 30pm, £10 Guildhail, Guildhail Square, Portsmouth (0705 824355). Thurs, 7.30pm, £10-£11.

NEW MODEL ARMY: Northern. post-punk, clog-wearing renegades with a stavishly devoted following. Their 1986 album, The Ghost of Cain, was an intense and

superlative offering, but they have since gone off the boil.

Queen Elizabeth Hall, West
Street, Oldham (061 678 4072). Wed, 7.30pm, £6. Riverside, 57-59 Melbourne Street, Newcastle (091 261 4386), Thurs, 7.30pm, £6.

THE STRAY CATS: Dependable, over tattooed, rockabilly dudes featuring the redoubtable chief quiff, Brian Setzer. Town & Country, 8-17 Highgale Road, London NW5 (071-284 0303), Wed, Thurs, 7.30pm, £8.

JOHN MARTYN: These last few dates wind up a long period of intense activity to promote The disappointingly restrained

St George's Hall, Hall Ings. Bradford (0274 752000), tonight, 7.30pm, £5.50-£7.50. Lewisham Theatre, Rushey Green, London SE6 (081-690 0002), Iomorrow, 7.30pm, £8.50. Crucible, Norfolk Street, Sheffield (0742 769922). Sun, 7.30pm, £6.50

ALANNAH MYLES: Alluring "Black Velvet" chanteuse, having played support on Robert Plant's dates, now intent on kicking butt in her own right.

Keele University, Stoke-on-Trent (0782 711411), tomorrow, 8pm, £6. Town & Country, 8-17 Highgate Road, London NW5 (071-284 0303), Sun, 7.30pm, £8.50.

BOO YAA T.R.I.B.E.: Family of grossly overweight Samoan toughguy rappers from Los Angeles, touting a tedious album glorifying violence, misogyny and the good funky beat. Not for the faint-

Town & Country 8-17 Highgate Road, London NW5 (071-284 0303), Tues, 7.30pm, £8.50.

BIG MUSIC FOR A SMALL AUDITORIUM: A self-mocking title for an adventurous Lake District selection of jazz and world music oerformers: John Surman/John Taylor (tonight), Mirostav Vitous (tomorrow), Steve Williamson (Sun), Andy Sheppard (Mon), Ephana Communication Egberto Gismonti (Tues), Eduardo Niebla & Antonio Forcione (Wed), L. Shankar (Thurs, and June 15). Zetferelli's, Compston Road, Ambleside (05394 33845), from tonight, 8pm, prices vary.

JAZZ WARRIORS: A one-off concert by the all-black big band which has provided a launch-pad for a string of young players. Greenwich Festival, The Borough Hall, 151 Powys Street, London SE18 (081-317 8687), tomorrow,

ANDY SHEPPARD: A brief tour with cellist Ernst Reijseger, percussionist Nana Vasconcelos and vibes player Orphy Robinson. The Marquee, Blandford (0258 456260), tomorrow, 9pm, day ticket 19. Bath Festival (with Roberto Pla's Latin Jazz Ensemble). The Pavision (Information: 0225 463362). Sun, 7pm, £7. Zefferelfi's (see above), Mon.

OLIVER JONES: The opening date of the Canadian piantst's tour boasted some uplifting gospelinfluenced vamps and Gameresque solos. Pizza Express, 10 Dean Street, London W1 (071-439 8722), Sun, 9 30pm, So. Fairfield Halls. Park Lane, Croydon (081-668 9291), Tues, 8pm, £4.50-£6.50 Concorde Restaurant, Storeham Lane, Eastleigh, Hampshire (0703) 613989), Wed, 9pm, £7.50

SUN RA: Popular with a new DAVID SINCLAIR young audience, the

septuagenarian cosmic shaman serves up more absurdist charts. The Bluecoat, School Lane, Liverpool (051 709 5297), tonight, doors open 8pm, £8. The Mean Fiddler, 28a Harlesden High Street, London (081-961 5490),

Mon, 8pm, £8. (see feature above) ANDREW CYRILLE: The rarelysighted Free Jazz drummer, best known for his work with avantgarde planist Cecil Taylor. The Junction, 10 Grand Junction Road, Brighton (0273 207192), Thurs, 10pm-2am, £4.

CLIVE DAVIS

WORLD MUSIC

PAPUA NEW GUINEA MUSIC VILLAGE: Outdoor performances cricketers from the Trobriand Islands and the Sepik River and Mount Hagen areas of New Guinea. The haunting sound of the Sepik sacred flutes should provide the greatest musical interest Gunnersbury Park, London W3 (081-568 1176), tonight-Sun, tonight 6.30pm, tomorrow and Sun, 6pm, 25.

L. SHANKAR: The virtuosity of this amazing Indian violinist is equalty at home with extended raga improvisations, exotic jazz fusion and cameo appearances with rock stars.

The Haymarket, Belgrave Gate, Leicester (0533 539797), tomorrow, 8pm, £6. Festival Hall, South Bank, London SE1 (071-928 8800), Sun, 7.30pm, £7 50-£15. SOUL BROTHERS: One of South

Africa's top mbaqanga groups, distinguished by their smooth instrumental and vocal sound, hard rhythms and flashy stage outfits. The Studio, Frogmore Street, Bristol (0934 414483), Tues,

Street Street Control 7.30pm, £7. The Event, West Street, Brighton (0273 732627), Wed, 7pm, £5.50.

CABARET VOLTAIRE: Shelfield's electronic experimentalists, Manchester's techno-wizard, A Guy Called Gerald, and the Walt Disney repertoire of that venerable eccentric, Sun Ra, will make this a concert for staunch individualists. Brixton Academy, Stockwell Road, London SW9 (071-326 1022), Sun, 7pm, £10.

NAJMA AKHTAR: A singer with an exquisite voice whose jazz-tinged varsions of Indian poetic ghazais have a striking ongmality. Playhouse, Wellington Circus, Nottingham (0602 419419), Sun,

CREOLE: Led by Dominican-born Cameron Pierre, Creole combinés Zouk, Cadence and Soca into a highly danceable mixture. Bass Clef, Coronet Street, London N1 (071-729 2476), tomorrow, 8,30pm, 26.50.

VANE VE AFRIKA: Featuring Torera Mpedzisi on !humb piano, and supported by Donkey Jive. Willesden Green Library Centre. High Road, Willesden Green, London NW10 (081-451 0294). tonight, 8.30pm, £4.50.

DAVID TOOP **EARLY WARNING**

DAVID BOWIE: UK dates: Aug 4, 5, The Bowl, Milton Keynes (071-587 1414/071-582 1626); Aug 7, Main Road Football Ground, Manchester (061 273 3775/071-379 1444): Aug 10, Royal Dublin Society, Dublin (010 3531 795364, Information: 010 3531 795311). FLEETWOOD MAC; UK dates: Aug 25, Main Road Football Ground, Manchester (as above); Sept 1, Wembley (061-900 1234).

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THEATRE

Temptation Westminster

WHEN Vaclay Havel visited the Barbican Centre a few weeks 220. he had some nice advice for the assembled cognoscenti, literati and RSC people. "If you want your plays properly performed", he said, "become a president". Well, he is no doubt right about productions of his work in Czechoslovakia. Last night, watching James Roose-Evans's overwrought new production of his Temptation, I found myself wishing he had a bit more aesthetic

power in Britain. It says much for Havel's passion and skill that his satiric updating of the Faust legend remains so eloquent. Somewhere behind the production's gaudy ado is a study of the moral convolutions of the dissident in a corrupt society. It is interesting because it is interesting, not because its author has

achieved high office. Henry Forster — as Faust has been renamed so that we British can feel accused too - works for a scientific institute devoted to the extinction of all "irrational mysticism". Here, material fact is ultimate truth, yet the definition of both fact and truth depends on "circumstances". Marxism is never mentioned, and does not need to be. Havel is clearly referring to that or any other philosophy which ends by en-shrining the socially expedient as objective science.

Anyway, Aden Gillett's Forster is already in the grip of "superstition" - that is, religious belief - when he meets Sylvester McCoy's encouraging little Mephistopheles. Disaster soon follows. Denounced by his boss as the surprising yet logical final twist is

enemy of truth, and threatened with the loss of his livelihood, he reacts with duplicity and more duplicity, like a double agent in a Le Carré novel. He assures the scientists he is infiltrating the ranks of the metaphysicians, and assures McCoy's metaphysician he is infiltrating the scientists. Before long we hardly know what he believes. Nor does he.

The text itself owes something to Franz Kafka and Milan Kundera, but its surrealism is understated and its thrust obvious enough. This is a world of spies and agents provocateurs, lies and evasions, which distorts the decent and punishes the straightforward. A Gretchen figure, artlessly in love with the confused Forster, is summarily fired for the sin of defending him.

There is no need, then, to italicize the grotesque or gild the silly. Yet that is what Roose-Evans has done. The action occurs on and round a pink hospital bed guarded by a leather-overcoated gurl with roses and a heavy in dark glasses. The institute's director repetitively enters to loud patriotic music while smug, toadying boffins throw confetti and wave flags embossed with smiling lips. A conversation becomes a parody show-trial. The actors go in for angular poses, Monty Python walks, weird voices, and comic artificiality galore.

This stylized hype does not touch Gillett's Faust, who is inexplicably content to be big and boring. It does not prevent Frank Middlemass doddering and bleating amusingly through the role of the director, or McCoy giving the performance of the evening an impish blend of Dudley Moore and Ken Dodd, a dilapidated hobgoblin exuding goofy gentility and flashing wicked smiles.

Yet excess still triumphs. A

Polonius would have categorized

the play. As tragi-farce, perhaps, if

not failing back on comparisons

with mermaids or griffins, crea-

tures that change their nature half

a witty comedy of passion. Declan

Donnellan's direction perhaps

over-emphasizes the comedy, but

the laughter is unmistakably there

in the writing. Sheila Gish could

not play Marwood other than as a

woman choking over her own fury, a lioness obliged to coo like a

dove. Her lines dictate her ap-

proach to the role, and she is

In the very last scenes of the

play, Lessing seems to recall that

he intended to write a tragedy, and

that his Sara (Rachel Joyce) has

always wanted to be a murder

victim. Out come the slow-acting

- in this case, her death-chair.

Raad Rauwi's Mellefont, too,

decides he is more antique Roman

Although this shift in tone

batters the play's integrity, its

earlier comedy is zestfully per-

formed. Enjoy it as a rediscoverd

comedy of manners and let pass

It takes place in a belle époque

restaurant overlooking the Eiffel

Tower - marvellously indicated

in Peter Docherty's stylish dé-

cor - and is danced to a compiletion of jolly Offenbach tunes arranged by Carl Davis.

There are gallant gentlemen, ardent lovers, a chorus of dancing

waiters, and lots of attractive

dances which show the cast to

advantage without overtaxing

them. It made a rousing finale to a

taken his inspiration for Strange

Meeting from Wilfred Owen's

poem written during the First

The all-male cast does a great

Michael Pink has, I imagine,

rather subdued programme.

World War.

JEREMY KINGSTON

what Lessing finally made of it.

poison and the death-bed speeches

wonderfully funny.

For almost all its length, Sara is

way along.



Impish: Sylvester McCoy (top) with Aden Gillett in Temptation

subverted (I cannot reveal why) by the cosmic bangs and flashes that have gratuitously occurred. And a quieter performance would give more point to a coda in which Faust is feted by the trimmers and

tricksters who condemned him, as must be happening to Havel now. How can we feel the irony of the festive hubbub when so much has been hubbub before?

BENEDICT NIGHTINGALE

Sara Lilian Baylis

LEATHER-BACKED chairs at the side of the stage where the cellist, violinist and flautist play when not figuring as servants in the action, a single wooden rafter tilted above a grander chair and a small table — these are the precise and simple elements of Nick Ormerod's design for Cheek by Jowi's English première of Les-

sing's bourzeois drama Written in the 18th century and translated into English in the 19th, its long wait to reach the stage is the more surprising for its evident debt to English models. Characters' names echo those of Restoration drama: Mellefont the rake, with whom the naive Sara Sampson elopes from London to a Dover inn, and Marwood, the rejected mistress, who hastens

after them, bent on revenge. The play is important in Eurosince the Golden Age of Spain to allow tragic emotions to the bourgeoisie. Nevertheless, it is clear that its author, an ardent admirer of Shakespeare, had not grasped his master's way with comedy. I do not know how

DANCE

Northern Ballet

Sadler's Wells

IT WAS a case of keeping the best

until last with Northern Ballet

Theatre's triple bill which opened

the company's Sadler's Wells sea-

son on Wednesday night. Not that

Ronald Hynd's Liaisons Amour-

ruses is a masterpiece, but it is a

well-crafted work with a sound

structure and a story-line that can

be told in dance, it concerns two

couples plus a ione gentleman and

their relationship, past, present

Home Work Battersea Arts Centre

A WOMAN tries to induce an abortion with a knitting needle while her husband continues to fill seed packets with seeds. This is the world of Franz Xaver Kroetz, a playwright who makes Samuel Beckett look like an irresponsible optimist. "My characters have no hope for the future. Their problems lie so far in the past and are so advanced, they are no longer in the position to express them.

The deprivation and inarticulacy which define Kroetz's characters are undoubtedly facts of life in advanced capitalist societies. Yet, in the end, there is something preposterous about these characters. Their dehumanization is forced not by external conditions but by the writer's intellectual system. If Kroetz knew these people from the inside he would not portray them in this

Penny Ciniewicz, winner of the BAC 1990 Young Director Award, obviously believes in the West German playwright; her production has integrity and she has inspired strong, committed performances from her cast of three

deal of leaping about against Lez

Brotherston's elaborate décor and

there is some rather ineffective

strobe lighting. Finally, when all the partici-

pants have removed their blue or

khaki tunics to reveal their white

undershirts and braces, and

presumably their common

humanity, they disappear through

a brilliantly lit doorway into clouds of smoke. All fairly predict-

able and leaving me in agreement

with a lady in the audience who

said: "I felt it should have gripped

Gillian Lynne's inspiration for

Lipizzaner came from the Spanish

Riding School in Vienna, although

a programme note states that it is

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TOM CONTI

IS UNWELL'

me, but it didn't."

(two adults, one child). Cathy Ryan's attractive set is both too semmental and too naturalistic to accommodate Kroetz's numbed. deadened figures. Bursts of Carl Orff's Carmina Burana are almost ludicrously incongruous. The result of too much realism is that the knitting-needle business seems not so much shocking as absurd.

Ciniewicz's response to Kroetz's depiction of unbearable monotony is to emphasize it. She has encouraged her actors to vary their tone as little as possible. Within these constraints, Elizabeth Rider's Martha, the wife who cleans all day and comes home to clean in the evening, is a remarkable performance. Her almost reptilian expression of stony acceptance

will remain in the memory. Billy Hartman's Willie looks puzzled, blank and resentful all at the same time. The performance which shows the most resistance to Kroetz's perverse demands is that of Clare Matthews, who cannot help making 10-year-old Monica look intelligent and alive. The tempo is unremittingly ploding, and had me wishing the play would end half-an-hour before it did. Unalloyed bleakness does not necessarily impart significance.

HARRY EVEN

not about the school - the horses are women. The horsey effect is maintained, however, by pony-tail hair styles and a great deal of head tossing and pawing the ground. There is some kind of story-line, it would seem, from the anguished gesticulating of Francesco Vil-licich as the chef d'équipage, but just what it was never became clear, unless he was warning about

the dangers of mad horse disease.

The ballet is welcome for its guest stars, Trinidad Sevillano and Patrick Armand, but it is a in MAIN OF THE WOMENT; Messony harsh cornedy by Aycobourn good meets evil on the Cook of Sol, was thicreal work which makes it easy to understand why some people regard classical ballet as too trivial

to be real art. JUDITH CRUICKSHANK NEW RELEASES

CLEAN AND SOBER (15): Aggressively head contrast of the difficulties in breaking a blesh portrain of the philippines in breaking a cocaine habit, with Michael Kaaton as a real estable executive, made in 1968. Director, Glenn Gordon Caron Caron Chaise a (071-352 5096) Warner (071-359 0791).

CREATOR (15); Frushrating black comenty-romance saved from its muddle by Peter O'Toole — delightful as a nutti, scientist trying to bring his ocal wife to life. With Manel Heimarg way, Vincent Spano directed by Ivan Passer in 1955 Ordeon Leicester Square (071-930 5111)

DIAMOND SKULLS (18): Gutsy tale of the anstocratic last set, with Gabriel Byrne as a leakus businessman myoved in a fatal car accident. Amanda Donchoe Michael Hordern, director, Nicholas Brocmheld Cannons: Fulham Road (071-570 2636) Shahasbury Avenue (071-336 6951)

NOTEBOOK ON CITIES AND CLOTHES Renor (971-837 8402).

THE PACKAGE (15): Modes: thrifer given a touch of class by Gene Hackman's performance as an American sergeant. lumbang across a conspiracy encargeing the American and Soviet leaders, With Tommy Lee Jones, Joanna Cassicy, Spector, Andrew

Square (371-330 6111).

THREE WOMEN IN LOVE (18): Amedia comedy of sexual manners from West German firm-maker Pudoif Thome about a naive young man laken up by titree women who run a men's clothing store Cannons Procedity (071427 3561) Tottenham Court Road (071-636 6148). CURRENT

CINEMA PARADISO (PG): Guseppe Tomatore's nostatigo tale of a small Sicilian cinema, a hugely appealing salute to the Curzons: Maylair (071-465 8865) Phoenix (071-465 8865)

DREAMS (PG): Alora Kurosawa's fantasa LineAMS (Migh Alora Kurosewa 's Branzsa) on themes of violence, ecology, and the artist's urge to create, unaven, a touch naive, but a visual feast.

Cate (07.1-727 40.43) Lumière (07.1-836)

0691) Screen on the HRI (07.1-435 3368).

ORIVING MISS DAISY (Up Sweet, Ordering firm of Affred Chry's play about a refined Southern lady (Jessica Tandy) and her black classification (Wrigan Freeman).
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 Warner (071-439 0791).

THE GOOS MUST BE CRAZY II (PG): THE GODS MUST ISE CHAZY II (1995). Comeal cut-ups in the Kalzhan desert with a bunch of cherestern's timest, an Alincan bushman and his chicken Orucle comedy for the unsophisticated, chrector, James Uys... Cannon Oxford Street (071-636 0310).

♦ HARD TO KILL (18): Steven Seagal as a coo emerging from a sever-year come to greinge harriset on his assadants. Lacklastre action fare, with Kely Le Brook, Cannons, Ontord Street (071-636 0310). Panton Street (071-930 0631) Warner (071-439 0791) Whatseya (071-732 3303/3324).

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El FASHION: Revised revival of Doug Lucia's pierong sabre on advertising ethics. Tricycle, 269 Kibum High Roso, NW6 (971-328 1000). Underground: Kibum, Mon-Sat, Bpra, met Sat, 4pm. Running time. 2hrs 30mins. Ende Juno 23.

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Extraction Arts Centre, Lawrence Hill.
SW11 (UT1-223 2223) Underground/ER:
Caphain Common/Claphan Junction.
Tues-Sun, Spin. Running time: 1hr 30mins. Until
June 17.

THENRY IV: Sound production of Pirandello's masterwork: Richard Harris Miscove ee day man who must presend to be emperor. Wynobam's, Charing Cross Road, WCZ

(071-867 1116) Underground Leicester Square, Mon-Sat, Born, mass Wed, 3pm and Set, 4pm Fluming time, 2hrs 20mine, Booking to July 7.

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CINEMA GUIDE

Geoff Brown's assessment of films in London and (where indicated with the symbol (a) on release across the country.

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Water Hill, with Mickey Rourke as a red criminal who plans a do following plastic surgery With Ellen Barkin. Cennon Haymarket (071-839 1527).

♦ KING OF THE WIND (U): Peter Duffell's pucturesque family film based on the real-life adventures of an 18th-century mute Arab boy (Naven Chowdhry) and his horse. With

◆ THE KRAYS (18): Brooting, bloody drame about the rise and fail of the East End gangsters, from war-time childhood to incarceration in separate prisons. Peter Medici directs an imaginatively chosen cast. Gary and Martin Kenn; Bille Wittelew.
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LOVERBOY (15); Patrick Company as a frisky pizze delivery boy with appreciate woman clients. Disappenting, bland comedy from director Joan Macklin Silve Cannon Haymarkat (071-839 1527).

MCCABE AND MRS MILLER (18): Julie Christie ICA Cinema (071-930-3847).

ACMISIEUR MIRE (15): Internal, arylath version of Smission novel about a backetor's dark obsession with his neighbour, a spriving achievement by director Patricis Leconta, previously known for comedies. With Michel Blanc and Sandrine Bonners Curzon West End (071-439 4805). MY LEFT FOOT (15): The Christy Bro

atory, upkiting fare, marvellously acts Oscar-winners Daniel Day-Lewis and mrs (071-439 4470).

THEATRE GUIDE

* Some seate available ☐ Seats at all prices

Coventi.
Cornect Theatra, Packon Street, SWI (071-930 2578). Underground: Piccedilly Circus. Mon-Fr. Spm., Sad. B. 150m. male Wed, 3pm and 5st., Spm., Running time, 27m 10mics, Ends June 16.

D PESS GYNT: Ensen's solo, boldly staged; memorably ugly trotis. National Thestre (Olivier) (as above). Tongot, tereorow, 7pm, mat tomorow, 1,30cm Running time. 3tre 20mms. In

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SHADOWLANDS: Nigel Hawthorns,

A NIGHTMARE ON ELM STREET S THE DREAM CHILD (18): Robert Englun vergetul monster tediously preys on yet more children. Gruesomely polished spec effects, but the plot is a thing of sheeds

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♦ NUNS ON THE RUN (12): Eric life and Robbe Cottone sheltering as runs in Janet Suzhen's convent school. Fest and funous drag cornedy, amed at fanciers of the stenuously zany, from writer-director Jonathen Lynn.
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♦ THE PUNISHER (18): Routine thuggery, based on the Mervel Comics character, with Dolph Lundgren as a former police captism avenging his family's

Cannones: Olidord Street (071-516 0310)

♦ PRECTY WOMAN (15): Shamelessly obt-fashioned romantic comedy, given sor modest crawn and spends by Julia Roberts as a gawky prostitute with crust of ruthless businessman Ric crust of ruthless businessman i Gens, Director, Garry Mental. Gern, Director, Garry Mersten, Cernden Pentivary (071-257 7034) Carneties: Chaiteen (071-352 5056) Hayves (071-353 1527) Notining His Corones (071-277 6705) Odeons: Kerlis Corones (071-303 6111) Bellem Corones (071-725 2600) Sameur (071-438 0791) Whiteleys (071-752 3003/3324).

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THE WITCHES (PG): Road Dalors too THE WITCHES (PG): Read Quin's tale of witches attending to turn children into mice, pleasantly attend on the Quincomy partid (expecially by Angillon Huttari), though without much agen of a major disector at the balls (Wooder Reg).

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Jeremy Kingston's assessment of House full, returns only

DI NOREL AND GERTTE: Simon Cardell

☐ THE POLICE: Mainly cross production of Stawarts Measur's 1956 satire on a secret police force left with ris-one to arrest. Sono-Poly Thears. 16 Ricing House Stees, W1 (071-536 0150). Underground:

PUNISHMENT WITHOUT
REVENGE?: Riveting production of Lope de
Vege's lest play an honourable crime
hombly and subtly avenged.
Gase, Prince Albert Pub, 11 Pembridge Sate, Prince Appear Pool, 1 Personal Prince Pload, W11 (071-229 0706), Underground: Hotong Hit Gams, Mon-241, 7 Jülpin, mich June 9, 16, 2-30pm. Running Sine: 21va 40 mine. Ends June 15.

LI RETURN TO THE FORBIDDEN
PLANET: His rock 'it' roll show, tacky but joby.
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(071-578 5299). Underground: Lecester
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8.30pm, mats Fri and Sal., Spm. Running tame:
2ms 30pm. Booking to Sept 23.

Jane Labouare at fourthing play should C.S. Lawe a Miller: Summer town. Cases is Theatre. Shaftesbury Avenue. Wtt (071-734 1196/071-439 3849). Underground Proceeding Cross. Man-Sat, Spm. mats Wed. 3pm and Sat, 4.30pm, Rustang ame. 2tm 40mms. Boolang to July 28 D SHRIEY VALDOWS BEAMS

District VALBITIME Scanner turning into a Greek nymph. Dute of York's Theatre, St Martin's Lane, WC2 (071-836 5122). Underground: Lecester Squere. Mon-Set, 8pm, mats Thus, 3pm and Set, 5pm. Running time: 2ms 15mms. Booking to June 30.

SHIGER: Poler Plannery's deak company: Anthry Sher Inveling as the champion the Jaw classicating through British southly. The Pit, Berbican Centre (as above). Tonight, tomorow, 7.30pm, met tomo 3pm. Ruming time: Otra. In repetary. DISTRIBUTE PARK WITH GEORGE: Spirt Histor Sondhelm impired by Secret's penting of a million dots. National Theorem (Lyteston) (as above). Non-Sel, 7-More, male Wed and Sel, 2.15pm; Not in repertory. Rumanig time: 2hm Sontre. Ends June 16.

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Greenwich, Croom's Hill, SE10 (001-008
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II THE WOMAN IN BLACK Suparior Fortune Transce, Russell Stook, WC2 (071-838 2238), Underground: Covert Gerden Man-Set, Spm, mats Tues, Spm and Set, 4pm, Russing time: 2hrs, Bootong to Sept.

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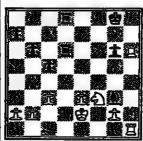
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WINNING MOVE By Raymond Keene, Chess Correspondent



Today's position is from the game Forbes (White)—
Milligan (Black), Blackpool
Zonal 1990. How can White
conclude the struggle
immediately? Solution in tomorrow's Times. Solution to yesterday's position: 1 Rxf7+! Bxf7 2 Qxb6.

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Tony Soper (t) 10.00 News and weather followed by The Pink Panther Show 10.25 Playdays 10.50 Cricket: First Test. Live coverage from Trent Bridge of the opening session of the second day's play in the game between England and New Zealand, introduced by Tony Lewis. includes news and weather at 10.55 and 12.00. 12.55 Regional news and

1.00 One O'Clock News with Philip Hayton. Weather 1.30 Neighbours.

1.50 Cricket: First Test. Further live coverage of the second day's play at 2.20 Film: Carry On Cowboy (1966). Spoot Western starring Sid James, Kenneth Williams and the other Carry On regulars. Stodge City is a lawless and crime-filled town, run by the ruthless Rumpo Kid. They need a

get is a sanitary engineer armed with a plunger. The film marked a change in style for the Carry On team but is shill full of the usual dreadful puns and double entendres, only this time delivered in an American accent. Directed by Gerald Thomas 3.50 The New Yogi Bear Show 3.55 A Bear Behind. (r) 4.10 Around the World with Willy Fog (r) 4.35

Eyespy. The grand final of the competition is between the AGN Aces from Allerton Grange Middle School in Leeds and the Jammers from Trunstable School in Tiptree, Essex 5.00 Newsround 5.10 Round the Twist. Children's comedy series from Down

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5.35 Neighbours (r). (Ceefax). Northern Ireland: Sportswide 5.40 Inside Ulster 6.00 Six O'Clock News with Peter Sissons and Moire Stuart. Weather 6.30 Regional News Magazines. Northern Ireland: Neighbours 7.00 Wogan. Terry's guests are Carol Channing, Amanda Donohoe and, with a song, the Pretenders 7.45 'Allo 'Allol More phoney-accented Resistance humbur starring Gorden

Resistance humour starring Gorden Kaye as the hapless René tonight being persuaded by Michelle to hide 1,000 kilos of stolen explosives (f). (Casfex) 8.10 Paradise: A Matter of Honour.

Passable Western series, which recycles

all the old plots. Ethan (Lee Horsley) manages to convince the ranchers to fight a wealthy and underhand businessman who tries to force them to give up their land and water rights. But the businessman has an ace up his aleeve — the deadly gunslinger Gideon McKay. (Ceetax) 9,00 Nine O'Clock News with Martyn

Lewis, Regional news and weether 9.30 South of the Border, Entertaining private detective series featuring Pearl and Finn, the Cagney and Lacey of south London. Told to drop a missing girl case before they have even found the girl, you can bet that they press on regardless. (Ceefax) 10.20 World Cup Grandstand. The BBC

launches its football overkill with highlights from the opening ceremony and the game between Argentina, the holders, and Cemimoon in Milan

11.10 Film: Impesse (1988). Burt Reynolds and his soldier timed set out to look for the hold they bid fees the Jacobses. the gold they hid from the Japanese during the Second World War. A competently made actioner, mainly of interest to Reynolds fans. Directed by

Richard Benedict 12.45am Cricket: First Test. Highlights of the second day's play in the game at Trent Bridge between England and

1.15 Weather

BBC 2

man to clean up the town. What they

6.45 Open University: Organic Molecules in Action. Ends at 7.10 3.00 News 8.15 Westminster 9.00 Daytime on Two: how a farming community in south-west France is coping with modern problems 9.25 A portrait of a Siberian new town dweller 9.45 Lignite in Northern Ireland 10.05 Putting friendship to the test 10.25 Computer capabilities 10.45 Part five of Noah's Ark 11.00 Technology and traditional crafts 11.25 German for beginners 11.40 Mindstretcher solutions 11.45 Microcomputing 11.55 A-level German 12.15 How young police officers see their relationship with today's youth 12.45 James Watson's Talking in Whispers 1.20 Aesop's The Town Mouse and the Country Mouse 1.25 Fireman Sam 1.40 The use of language 2.00 News and weather followed by You

and Me (r) 2.15 Weekend Outlook. Open University preview (r)
2.20 Cricket: First Test. The afternoon session of the second day's play in the game at Trent Bridge between England and New Zeeland, Includes news and weather at 3.00 and 3.50 6.25 Beatrix: The Early Life of Beatrix

 Billed as that often controversial hybrid, the drame-documentary, Mike Healey's restrospective of Potter's tile between the ages of 12 and 30 turns out to be more documentary than drame. Concentrating on the long summer holidays in Scotland which formed the apprenticeship for her later fame as a children's writer, it intersperses a nerrative performed by actors with voice-over extracts from Potter's diaries and contributions from her modern biographer, Judy Taylor. The result is that the artifice of caressing the camera over rolling Scottish landscape to the accompaniment of Elgarian-type music is firmly counterpointed by the subject's own thoughts and feelings. On one level is it the story of an only ohlid trying to actieve her freedem from



Helena Bonham-Carter es Beatrix (6.25pm)

demanding parents who have come to depend on her. On another, it charts her love for nature and drawing which translated into the books was to make that freedom secure. Helena Bonham-Carter gives a quietly effective performance as the young Beatrix and also supplies the off-screen voice of the district. Wates: Step Up to Wordpower 6.50 When in France 7.15 What the Papers Say. Anne

Robinson examines the Press coverage of the lead-up to the World Cup, which begins tonight
7.30 Friday Report: The Max Factor. Maxwell Hutchinson, president of the Royal institute of British Architects, shows Martin Delahaye what he teels are the best and worst designed buildings in the south-east (r). Wales: Wales in Westminster; Scotland: Tinniswood Country; Northern Ireland: Caich of the Day; East: One Summer at Snape; Midlande: The Forgotten Massacre; Leeds: Coastal Fishing; Newcastie: Asbestos — The Burden of the Past; Manchester: A Man, a Dog, e Horse and a Boet; Southempton and

adopting from abroad revealing how confusion in the system is leading frustrated couples to circumvent the

6.30 Gardeners' World. Gillian Richardson shows how year-round colour and tollage can be achieved and, with the onset of dry weather, Geoff Hamilton looks at pla can survive arid conditions. (Ceelax) 9.00 Naked Video. Award winning cottish comedy senes, featuring l Lederer, Gregor Fisher, John Sparkes and Jonathan Watson (r). (Ceefax)

9.30 BBC Design Awards 1990.

Products. Sir Terence Contain leads the panel of judges who must decide the five finalists from the 275 entries 10.10 Badger Night. The hidden cameras continue to scrutnize badgers in their natural environment, white Jessica Holm and Sally Magnusson explore ways of halting their decline 10.30 Newsnight 11.15 Weather

11.20 Animation from Prague. Down in the Cellar — Jan Svankmajer's surred feature combining live action with animation

11.35 Film: Seventh Day, Eighth Night (1969, b/w)

As good as enything in the BBC2
Czech season has been the selection of films. The inclusion of Formatian Amedeus was perhaps departing too far from the brief, even if it was shot in Prague, but the cinema of the short-lived New Wave of the 1960s has been richly represented. And among well-known titles such The Fireman's Ball and Closely Observed Trains have been others that speak no less eloquently others that speak to describe a speak to the not surprisingly suppressed by the post-Dubcek regime. With elements of political satire and Karkaesque nightmere, suffused with irony, it charts the panic overtaking a Czech village when people disappear, the trains and telephones stop and there are

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ms-VT nn a 9.25 Chain Letters. Word quiz 9.55
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12.10 Rainbow. Educational children's Programme (t)

12:30 Frank Bough Goes Home and Away With more than 11 million people watching every episode, Home and Away will soon be challenging Neighbours as Britain's favourite Oz. span. Frank Bough goes to Australia to

meet the stard 1.00 News at One with John Suchet Weather 1.20 Tharnes News and 1.30 Coming of Age. American domestic comedy about a retired airline pilot and his family 2.00 A Country Practica. Australian drama set at a community

health centre in the outback
2.30 Anything Goes. Paul Barnes and
Anthea Turner host a new series of the lesure show that goes around the country to unearth spare-time-filling ideas. They begin by going to Woodhall Spa and Rye 3.00 Connections. Word association name 3,25 Thames News and weather Australian family drama

4.00 World Cup 90. Hundreds of hours of television football kick off in Milan with the opening ceremony of the 1990 World Cup and the game between Maradona's Argentina, who won last time, and Cameroon, who are not expected to win this time but acquitted themselves with distinction eight years ago by going



Claudio Caniggia of Argentina (4.00pm)

home unbeaten. Football haters v be relieved to know that for the first round at least, ITV and BBC are sharing, instead of duplicating, the live coverage of matches so there will be plenty of escape routes. Domestic interest in the tournament begins on Monday when Scotland will be desperate not to come a cropper oesperate not to come a dropper against Costa Rica and England play the Republic of Ireland, trying to average an embarrassing deteat in the European championship two years ago. Both matches are five on ITV. The live coverage of matches after the first

coverage of matches after the first round will be decided then, obviously influenced by which teams make it to the quarter-finals.

7.00 News with Sue Carpenter. Weather 7.15 LWT News and weather 7.30 The \$64,000 Question. Bob Monkhouse introduces a revival of the popular 1950s cauz show. (Cracle)

opular 1950s quiz show. (Oracle) 8.00 Coronation Street. Northern soap.
It's clear now that the brewery is trying to attract the Pils and Pernod crowd

into the Rovers. (Oracle)

8.30 Surgical Spirit. Last episode in the current series of this energetic hospital sitcom starring Nichola McAuliffe as the imperious surgeon Mrs Sabatini

9.00 Island Son: Fathers and Sons. Richard Chamberlain is the cardboard doctor among the palm trees. (Oracle) 10.00 News at Ten with Trevor McDonald

and Julia Somerville. Weather 10.35 LWT News and weather 10.40 The London Programme. Trevor Phillips looks at the plans to build a Universal Studios theme park on Rainham Marshes in Essex. Environmentalists have protested that the scheme would destroy the rich variety of wildlife living on the marshes, while others have welcomed the development, which could bring much-needed jobs into the area and up

to five million visitors a year 11.10 Beauty and the Beast. Ceremony of Innocence. A modern fairy-tale series about a New York lawyer and the kindly beast who loves and protects her 12.05am We Got it Made. American

comedy series 12.30 William Tell: The Citadel. Drama centred on the legendary Swiss hero

starring Will Lyman
1.00 The James Whate Radio Show. The
rudest man on television does his best

to part a few more people in his grossly compelling chat show. Followed by News headlines

2.00 CinemAttractions. Steve March looks at the latest film releases. Followed by News headlines

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3.30 Ice Hockey. Edmonton v the Los

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6.00 The Art of Landscape. Breathtaking scenery accompanied by soothing

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round of this general knowledge quiz
5.00 I Love Lucy (b/w).Classic comedy
series starring Lucike Ball as the scatterbrained wife of a Cuben bendleader 5.30 A Hundred Acres. Clay Jones explores a small region of the British

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6.00 Buzz. Global youth magazine, concerned with people, change and the tuture. Tonight's edition examines heroes and hero-worshippers

6.30 Star Test. A celebrity is subjected to

a computerized gritting 7.00 Channel 4 News with Nicholas Owen and Zeinah Badawi. Weather 7.55 Book Choice, Andrew Graham-

Doxon reviews David Sweetma biography of Vincent Van Gogh — The Love of Many Things. (Oracle)

8.00 Short Stories: Street Doctors.

• if the title had not been used elsewhere, you could call it a very peculiar practice. Or at least a very unusual one. Eight doctors and six medical students, most of them from Oxford University, have set up a centre in Maida Vale to offer their services under Waterloo Bridge, tending aliments and hearing troubles. But the experiment goes beyond an idealistic urge to help the unfortunate. The medica not only work together but live together and are committed to a

philosophy of care in which each patient takes on the fascination of a character in a novel. The only pity is the director, Giles Herdman, does not give his material more of a narrative shape. We are left with a series of nts, often rather haphazardly

8.30 Hard News presented by Ray Snoddy. This week *The Times* cartoonist Mel Calman investigates the state of the political cartoon; *The Sun* is taken to task for saying that the disease from which Elizabeth Taylor is suffering is similar to Aids; and there is a look at the risks taken by Press photographers

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8.00 Public Eye: Adoption From Abroad. An investigation into the process of

8.55am News and Weather 7.00 Morning Concert: Purcell (Now Does the Glorious Day Appeer: Soloiste, King's Consort under Robert King)

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8.30 News

8.35 Composers of the Week:

J.C. Bach. Overture No 6 in G (Academy of Ancient Music under Hogwood); Curntet in D. Op 22 No 1 (English Concert); Sinfonia concertants in E flat (Collegium Aureum)

9.35 All Else Is Folly... (PM only from 10.55); C.P.E. Bach (12 Variations on La Folia: Robert Woolley, harpsichord); Liszt, arr Busoni (Rhapsode espagnole: Philharmonia under Pritchard); Nielsen (Maskarade: Swedfish RSO under Salonen); Debussy (Surte bergamasque: Kathryn Stott, piano); Fauré (Masques et Bergamasques: Academy of St Martin-In-the-Fields under Neville Marriner); Corelli (Soneta, Op 5 No 12: Frans Brüggen, recorder, Anna Bytsma, barroque cello, Gustav Leonhardt, harpsichord); Bach (Cantata No 212: "Peasani": Soloists, Linde Consort under Lunde); Warlock (Capnol Sunte: Guildhall String Ensemble); Rachmaninov (Corelli Variations, Op 42: Vlacimir Ashkenazy); Offenbech (Overture, "Orpheus in the Underworld": Berlin PO under von Karajan)

10.55-6.30pm Test Match Special

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German RSO)
1.00pm News (FM only)
1.05 Manchester Summer Recitals
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performs Bach, arr Mozart
(Adago and Fugue in F):
Britten (Phantasy in F minor);
Dvořák (String Quantet in E
ffat, Op 97)

7.30 News
7.35 Morning Concert (cont): Bach
(English Suite No 3 in G minor,
BMV 808: Anches Schift,
piano); Vaughan Williams
(Suite: Bournemouth
Sentoniette under Del Mar),

2.00 Mozari (FM only): Bavarian
 RSO under Leitner performs
 Divertimento In D, K 251;
 Concertc for fluts, harp and
 orchestra, K 299
 3.00 Schubert and Schoenberg

7.00 News 7.05 Third Ear: Architect Colin

7.05 Third Ear: Architect John Vision talks to Professor Joe Mordaunt Crook of London University about the designs for the completion phase of the new British Library, announced this week 7.30 The Friday Play: Epsorn Downs. Dowris.

Howard Brenton's a voice: jockeys, trainers, owners, punters, wayside evangelists, gypsies, the bit blooded and the red-nosed.

Pieces "Arden Must Die"); Stravinsky (Symphony in

rumours of an invasion. Ends at 1.20am

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5.55am Shipping Forecest 6.00
News Briefing; Weather 6.10
Farming Today 6.25 Prayer for
the Day (s) 5.30 Today: Sue
MacGregor reports from
Moscow on the Prime
Minister's visit, With Peter
Hobdey and John Humphrye
in London, incl 6.30, 7.00,
7.30, 8.00, 8.30 News 6.55,
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Lawley with Ken Dodd (s) (r)
9.45 The Cartonrists II: Alex. The
third of six programmes in
which Frank Whittord takes to

which Frank Whitlord talks to cartoonists about the art of humour (s).

10.00 News; Special Assignment 10.30 Morning Story: The Skinflint, by Gerard McCreesh. Read by Nichael McKnight.

10.45 Delity Service (s).

11.00 News; Analysis: Euro Blues. David Walker assesses the Conservative Party's views of Britam's future in the EC (r).

11.47 Treasure Island: Michael Rosen presents the children's book programme. New nature and wildlife books are reviewed by naturalist Tony Soper and broadcaster Janice.

Soper and broadcaster Ja 12.00 News; You and Yours 12.50m The Food Programms: in the final programms in the present sense, Derek Cooper and guests discuss the and guests discuss the outstanding tood issues of the lest year 12.55 Weather 1.00 The World at One 1.40 The Archers (r) 1.55 Shipping

2.00 News; Woman's Hour: Ruth Wishart introduces the programme from Glasgow. Includes a discussion on the differences between Caradian and British attitudes to chied sexual abuse; an interview with Helen Liddell, the formal with Helen Liddell, the formal general secretary of the Labour Party in Scotland, whose political novel Etite is published next week; a visit to the two inhabitants of inchcolm Island; and a preview of the European Special Olympics for the mentally handicapped 3.00 News; Classic Senal: Far from the Medding Crowd. Gathering In. Last of a six-part dramatization of Thomas

Three Movements)

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4,30 Kaleidoscope: Includes a review of Geoping at the Haymarket Theatre; James Birch reports on the Kiev British Festival; and David Hepworth listens to Madonna's new album Frenethings to (II)

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6.30 Going Places: Peter Hobday
with travel and transport news

7.00 News 7.05 The Archers 7.20 Pick of the Week with 7.20 Pick of the Wear. with Mergaret Howard (s) 8.05 Any Questions?: Jonathan Dembleby in Birmengham, with panelists including John Smith, MP, Shadow Chancello of the Exchequer, Nima
Temple, general secretary of
the Communist Party of Great
Britain; Michael Howard, MP,
Secretary of State for
Employment; and writer and
broadcaster Anthony

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Sampson
8.50 Stop Press: Andrew Merr
reviews the week's
newspapers
9.15 Kaleidoscope: The Meking of
the "Vicen": A report on the
build-up to Simon Rattle's
Royal Opera House debut last
right, conducting Janacek's
opera The Curreng Little
Vicen (s)
9.45 Letter from America by Alistair
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10.45 A Book at Bedfirme: An Indiscretion in the Life of an Heiress, by Thomas Hardy (7 and if)
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The residents of cardboard city (8.00pm)

to the London homeless. Each Wednesday a mobile surgery attends the inhabitants of cardboard city

9.00 Cheers. Compeling American comedy sat in a Boston bar. (Oracle) 9.30 Loads More Muck and Magic. (Oracia) 10.00 Roseanne, Roseanne Berr etere as

daughter, Becky 10.30 Vic Reeves Big Night Out. Ceddish Vic Reeves is joined by his sidekick Bob

Mortumer and he meets a trial who burns vital documents

11.00 Film: Trial Run (1984). Gripping feminist thriller starring Annie Whittle as a nature photographer who has to endure an increasing reign of terror white staying in an isolated cottage in New Zeeland. Full of suspense but spoilt by a weak ending. Directed by Melonia Read Antonio Road

12.40am Buzz. See 6.00 1.10 Star Test. See 6.30. Ends at 1.40

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5.00am international Business Report 5.30 European Business Channel 6.00 The DJ Kail Show 8.30 Panel Pot Pourn 10.00 The New Price Is Right 10.30 The Young Doctors 11.00 Sky by Day 12.00 Another World 12.50pm As the World Turns 1.45 Loving 2.15 Three's Company Tool 2.45 Here's Lusy 3.15 Seventy Hills Teens 3.45 Capian Caveman 4.00 The Great Grape Ape 4.30 The New Leave It to Beaver 5.00 Sky Ster Search 6.00 The New Price Is Right 6.30 Sale of the Century 7.00 The Magucian 8.00 Pipide 9.00 Hunter 10.00 Wresting Challenge 11.00 Sky World News Tought 11.30 The Deadly Ernest Picture Show

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3.00 Schubert and Schoenberg
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3.45 Mining the Archive (FM only):
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Britten and Rostropovich.
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72 – first parformance);
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talks about his teacher Frank
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6.15 The Works (FM only until 6.30)

outrageously sociological evocation of the annual Derby evocation of the annual Dentily Day extravaganza is perf Breughet, part Bosch But, vitality-wise, it is all Brenton. Everyone and everything has a worse inclusive trainers. Even the horses and the Derby course itself are allowed to say their piece. And there's the ghost of Emily Davison, the suffragette

Davison, the suffragette martyr, stal haunting Tattenham Corner. Originally a stage play without songs, Epsom Downs is now a brilliant radio happening with songs – too marry, perhaps? – by Nick and Tony Bicat 9.20 BBC SO under Ronald Zollman performs Stravmsky performs Stravnsky
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The Reporters 3.30 Frank Bough This Week
4.30 Beyond 2000

8.00am As Sky One 8.30 World Cup Special 9.00 Trans World Sport 10.00 Motor Sport 11.00 Eurosport Live. Tennis French Open, World Cup Welcome: Live coverage of the opening ceremony in Italy, Football, Argenta v Cameroon, Group B 7.00pm Tennis 9.00 Football 11.00 Formula 1 Motor Racing 11.30 Baskettsal 12.00 Tennis 1.30am Meter Racing 2.00 Tennis Motor Racing 2.00 Tonns

All films are followed by News and

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1.00pm The Movie Show

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3.05 The Molly McGuires (1969): Historical drama. An informer softmates a tecrot society of Insh mereworkers in 1870s Pantsylvenia Starring Seen Connery and Rictard Farms

5.30 The Movie Show

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BSB: THE MOVIE CHANNEL

Communist spies in Hawaii Co-stars Nancy Olson 8.00 Gor: Fantasy adventure about a mild-10.00am Everyday Workout 10.30 Search mythical world where he is haded as a hero.

for Tomorrow 10.55 Coffee Break 11.00 Wok with Yan 11.25 Short Casts 11.30 The Edge of North 12.00 Sally Jessy Raphael 12.50pm Star Time 12.55 Great American Gameshows 2.00 Divorce Court 2.30 Burke's Law 3.20 Lifestyle Plus 3.30 The Emergency Room 3.50 Hollywood Interview 4.05 Soarch for Tomorrow 4.35 Tea Break 4.45 Great American Gameshows 6.00 This Sell-e-Vision Shopping Channel Starring Urbano Barbarins and Oliver Reed, with a suitable cameo villem role for Jack 10.00 Masquerade (1988): Rob Lowe and Mag Tifly ster in a plotted thriller in the Hischcock vern 11.40 Bright Lights, Big City A young journalist grieves effer his mother's clearly and his write's desertion. Starring Michael J. Fox and Kieler Sutherland.

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Checks on riot role of inmates' group

By QUENTIN COWDRY

JAIL staff have been asked to gather information about a prisoners' group which, prison officers believe, has planned several prison disturbances, the Home Office said yes-

An investigation conducted by BBC Radio's File on Four programme claims the socalled Prisoners League Association (PLA) is a growing force in Britain's jails and was involved in planning the riot at Manchester's Strangeways prison. It cites entries from the diary from the association's self-styled "chief of staff" who was in Strangeways' punishment block a few weeks before the riot began — with several inmates who played a leading part in the disturbance.

On the programme, to be broadcast tonight, Mr Ivor Serle, chairman of the Prison Officers' Association's Manchester branch, says the 25-day siege may have been averted had the PLA, which campaigns for improved con-ditions, been listened to by

The Home Office said the PLA had been monitored over the past few years but a spokesman added: "It is a small organization and we have no reason to believe that it has been responsible for masterminding any disturbance in the prison system". Staff had been asked to pass on information about the group but the data received so far had been "scant".

Mr Adam Sampson of the Prison Reform Trust claimed the PLA did exist but said its influence had been exaggerated. It largely revolved around just a few "politicized" prisoners.

● Mr Brendan O'Friel, aged 49. governor of Strangeways prison, has been promoted. He is to become an assistant director in the Prison Service a post created under a reorganization of the top-level administration of the service.

He will become responsible for a group of prisons, report-ing directly to the deputy director general of the service. It is understood the area he will be appointed to has not yet been determined.

His appointment was confirmed yesterday, four days before Lord Justice Woolf's inquiry into the Strangeways riot begins taking evidence in public in Manchester. Mr O'Friel will be a key witness at the inquiry, which will last at least three weeks. He had appeared before a promotion board before the Strangeways riot two months ago.



The statue of J. B. Priestley, the Bradford-born novelist, provided the backdrop yesterday for the launch in the city of the South Asian Dance Festival by members of the Bhanan Centre, London. Mr Prakash Yadagadde and Kumari Nina (left) led a parade through several areas of Bradford

Disappearance of badgers sets puzzle for naturalists

A small three-inch long

fighting," he said.

A PIONEERING wildlife tele- hardly any this year. vision unit has obtained unparalleled footage of badgers in a century-old sett in the Essex countryside. But the success of the television series, believed to be the first live colour television broadcast of badgers, has prompted naturalists to puzzle over the mysterious disappearance of badgers from the sett and from

several others in the area. In a series of three live broadcasts, the last of which is scheduled for this evening, the **BBC Bristol Natural History** Unit has used new high technology equipment to video a large family of badgers at a sett in a secret location in Essex.

The badgers, which have been gradually accustomed over the last few weeks to the television lights and the scent of the comeramen, emerged as if on cue to feed in time for the first 20-minute broadcast on Wednesday night. Mr Don Hunford, retired

scientist and chairman of the Essex Naturalists' Trust, has been monitoring the one-acre sett for more than 30 years Up to 25 badgers, many of which know him and will take food from his hand, live in the sett at any one time. A community of that size could expect to have up to 10 males but Mr Hunford has seen

remotely-controlled pencil "It could have something to camera is the innovation that do with the weather, or it has made possible the close-up could be a result of territorial snuffling towards the camera.

The badgers have been per-He said four female badgers had produced eight cubs this suaded to arrive "on set" at the correct time each night year, compared with none last with morsels of peanuts and year and one the year before, wholemeal bread, although indicating the community was their favourite snack has healthy. He has known some proved to be digestive badgers to live more than 10 years but the sett incurs heavy casualties from nearby road

Assistant producer Mr Robin Prytherch said: "We knew that if we trod carefully, we would get the co-operation of the badgers. The extraor-dinary thing is that the bedgers seem to come and go as if there were no lighting." The programme takes place

sainst a background in which the badger, a protected spe-cies, is in serious decline. Many thousands are believed to be killed each year by badger-baiting. In Essex, one third of the setts have disappeared since the early 60sand half of the remaining setts had no badgers in, according to a recent survey. In the House of Commons, a private member's bill is being debated which could give them more protection by making it illegal to destroy their setts for development. Badger Night, The Solutions? BBC2 tonight, 10.10pm

Thatcher's new vision of Nato

Continued from page 1 elopment of the 35-Nation Conference for Security and Co-operation in Europe (CSCE) as the main forum to build trust and confidence between East and West.

The speech marked Mrs Thatcher's own transition from the Iron Lady phase as she declared: "The countries of Eastern Europe are reaching out to the West. We no longer think of them as potential enemies or as part of a wider threat to our way of life. They are friends in need of help, wanting to return to their rightful place in Europe."

She added: "The world is changing faster than our ways of thinking. We need to be more imaginative and work on a bigger canvas."

For President Gerbechov, who she meets for four hours of talks today, and for his military high command, whom she will see this afternoon, there was reassurance continued existence should not be seen as a threat.

The speech was clearly designed to counter the claims of Gorbachov, that in the face of the crumbling Warsaw Pact military alliances were no longer required. She declared in characteris-

tic terms: "You don't cancel missed the party's past oppo-your home insurance policy sition to policies giving helped just as willingly as

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fewer burglaries in your street in the last 12 months."

Cailing Nato the most successful alliance in history, which had "deterred war without ever having to fight a war" Mrs Thatcher said; "We are probably more secure than we have ever been." But secure defence had to be maintained and that required forces and weapons, not just fine words. Greater emphasis on Nato's

political role and on activities such as arms control and verification "should make it easier for the Soviet Union to come to terms with Nato's continued existence and German membership of it". The CSCE, which could

never be a substitute for Nato, could be built up as a body in which political and security issues affecting Europe as a whole could be discussed.

Political sketch

How the stand-in was stumped

"In view of the link between listeria and French brie cheese," asked James Couchman (C, Gillingham), "the hallucinatory effect of French wine, the carcinogenic effect of Perrier, and the transmissibility of mad frogs' disease, will the Leader of the House make contingency plans to impose a ban on all French

products?" Sir Geoffrey chuckled. Ho ho! Why, standing in for the PM while she was away was rather fun! A doddle, really. He had an answer ready about the EC settlement, but did not wish to appear

colleagues with an indulgent smile, before reading his They loved it. "Hear, hear!" shouted Tories, as Sir Geoffrey told them the news from Brussels. PM's Questions had got off to a smash-

humourless. He turned to

ing start. And he had felt so nervous beforehand! It had been hard to sleep, last night. What if they should bowl him a googly? What if he should stumble over his notes, or get the pages muddled? What if a Tory backbencher should try to stab him in the back? She always seemed so cool at the Dispatch Box - always ready with the facts. How she would sneer if she returned from Moscow to be told the old boy had muffed it. He could hear her now. "Geoffrey — we just leave you to look after the shop for one afternoon, and things go wrong. Really! Must we do everything ourselves?"

Still, Kinnock would be away. His deputy, spluttering Roy Hattersley, would face Howe. No problem, surely? Geoffrey rose early, washed carefully behind his ears, and chose his best wool suit, in mid-grey. Elspeth returned from spending the night in a box ("silly old girl," he thought, "still, good to have a family with minds of their own") in time to iron his best white shirt, and select a blue tie with white spots. Perfect. Lady Howe checked his fingernails and off he went. He was at Westminster far too early. Still, plenty of time to re-read the reams of "defensive briefing" the PM's people had given him, to prepare him for anything MPs threw. CONTIN-

a Labour Chancellor would have to put up taxes.

Lloyd's chief to

gep dow

"Good stuff!" he ex-claimed. "Must remember CONTINGENCY: Backbenchers press for commit-

ment to reduce tax rates. RESPONSE: Remind House that governments cannot fore-cast Budget decisions.
"Quite," thought Geoffrey. "Best to play safe. I know. Been Chancellor myself."

The great contest at 3.15

drew near: but "Look confident!" he thought. So he waited till 3.12, than saun tered in. "One up on the PM. there! She's always hours early," he had smiled.

And now it was all going so

well. He felt ready for anything. Come on then, Roy, let's be having you . . . Hattersley rose pon-derously to his feet. "Would

the Leader of the House tell us what will be the standard rate of income tax after the next Budget?" Geoffrey blinked. What a

stupid question! This was almost too easy. He remembered the answer in his brief "can't anticipate, etc . . ." but why play a long-hop with a straight bat? Hit it for six! For the first time in years he felt a rush of excitement He stood.

Of anything he'd heard, he said "that passes all records for stupidity". Wild cheers from his mates. What fun!

But why was Hattersley nodding? Anxiety clouded Howe's chubby features. His foe rose, smiling.

Yes, agreed Hattersley, it was a stupid question. "Even more stupid than you made out. So will you tell the Tory Chairman to stop asking for predictions of the level of tax government."

Labour roared with triumph. He had handed them a quote ("passes all records for stupidity") to trump the Tories every time they called on the Opposition to cost its

Sir Geoffrey never recovered. In Moscow, Mrs. Thatcher was smiling at the news, "Now they know. Labour does better without Kinnock. And the Tories can't do without me."

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Labour embraces home ownership

GENCY: Labour trumpet their generosity, said a note.

By RICHARD FORD, POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT

Gould admitted there was no special merit in public sector housing. Labour to people's desire for Mr Gould, Labour's

environment spokesman, dis-

Rather cool, showery and

LABOUR'S acceptance of council house tenants the right those who wanted to remain home ownership was sealed to buy their homes. The tenants.

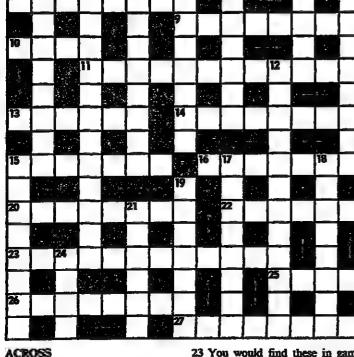
yesterday when Mr Bryan party's previous preoccupations to the tion with the need to provide social housing had blinded

> home ownership. If people wanted to become with council estates and to home owners, they should be portray it as accepting right-

Mr Gould, speaking to the

Building Societies Conference, clearly intended to distance Labour from its image as a party solely concerned to-buy policies.

THE TIMES CROSSWORD NO 18,315



1 Character on the staff of Pea-cock's castle (8).

9 Ditch beside which soldiers are cut down (8). 10 Against appearing in Romantic

11 One who painted relatively late in life? (7,5). 13 Respect one coming out of a brown study (6).

14 Escort takes tea with Argentinian actress (8). 15 Impetuous person has stolen the

16 One of several allowed to go on an excursion (7). 20 Inferior writer rejected an order from the court (8). 22 Ignominious failure obtained if

returning with course uncompleted (6).

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E D C E A A A T S C 23 You would find these in gambling clubs, for instance (7-5). 25 House acquired originally by unknown deception (4).

26 His nominees are thus returned in suitable circumstances (8). Southern dancer and erotic entertainer (8).

2 A stock-farmer managed her business externally (8). 3 Impetuous — liable to do anything like a shot? (7-5).

Woman seen outside a bar before a dance (8). 5 Run down by traffic outside University College's entrance?

6 Social grades upset loose woman in South Africa (6). 7 Responsibility concerning the present compiler and solver (4).
8 A case supported by teachers?

It's an old joke (12).

12 Potter's art? (3-9). 15 See hippo running wild as a water carrier (4-4).

17 Eg Cranmer's advert seen

around most of Rome, perhaps? 18 Many a vessel in the river is mine (8).

Cavalrymen's quadrille (7). 21 This man makes the King retreat (6). 24 A long time, with or without capital (4).

Concise Crossword, page 17

WORD-WATCHING By Philip Howard SPADROON

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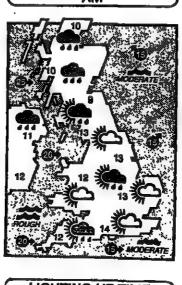
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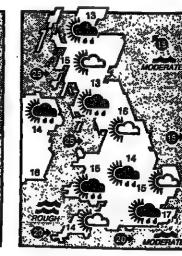
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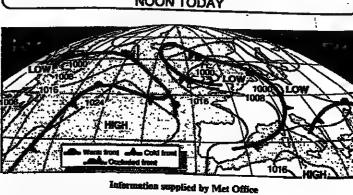




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Executive Editor David Brewerton

FRIDAY JUNE 8 1990

Lloyd's chief to step down next year MR MURRAY Lawrence

● SPORT 42-48

chairman of Lloyd's of London, is to stand down as chairman next year. A Lloyd's statement said its council would propose Mr David Coleridge, chairman of Lloyd's underwriters Sturge Holdings, for election as his successor.

For the past eight years, Mr Lawrence has served as dep-uty chairman or chairman. Investment plans fall to new low

Investment intentions in the retail, wholesale and motor trades last month fell to an alltime low as the government's counter-inflationary squeeze forced firms to look for new economies, according to the latest Confederation of British Industry survey.

Pilkington slips

Pilkington, the glassmaker, struggled against tough conditions in most of its leading markets to produce pre-tax profits just 3 per cent down at £314 million in the year to end-March.

The group is paying a second interim payment of 7.57p, making a total for the year of 10.5p, a rise of 10.5 per cent gainst the previous year.Earnings per share, at 25p, fell 8 per cent.

Tempus, page 27 Johnson's cuts More than 1,500 jobs are going at Johnson's, the ceramic tiles company, about 1,000 of them in the UK. Johnson's parent company, Norcros, is writing off £13 million in connection with a reorganization of the business The provisions form the bulk of the £20 million of extraordinary items contained in the Norcros results for the year ended last March, Pretax profits plummeted from £66.9 million to £37.3 million, but the board is paying a final dividend of lip a share, bolding the total at 16p.

Tempos, page 27 Chairman dies

Mr Edgar Palamountain, the chairman of the Wider Share Ownership Council, died on Tuesday, aged 72. He was a former chairman of M&G, the largest unit trust group in the Obituary, page 16

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Banks call in receiver at Coloroll

By MARTIN WALLER

National Westminster, no op-

chunks of the business are still

buyers, Coloroll having been

£140 million it has admitted

owing, there are further

contingent liabilities that

could bring the total as high as

Mr Marks said last night:

in that period we kept the

business together."

viable and could find ready

tion but to pull the plug.

COLOROLL, the home supporting banks, led by the furnishings group, collapsed last night, putting 8,500 jobs at risk, after the banks to which it owed more than £140 million called in the

receivers.

Mr Nigel Hamilton and Mr Bill Roberts, of Ernst & Bill Roberts, of Ernst & brought low by its huge cor-Young, the accountant, have porate debts. As well as the the grim task of dismembering the group built up by Mr John Ashcroft, and will attempt to settle with its creditors. It is thought unlikely that £200 million. shareholders will receive any

Coloroll's demise after a of the group's biggest cuslong and painful struggle was tomers, replaced the flamboysignalled at lunchtime, when the shares were suspended at the shares were suspended at on his abrupt departure in 6½p "pending clarification of March. Mr Ashcroft had been the company's financial position."

The appointment of Ernst & Young came a couple of hours ial skills. the market. The shares peaked at 373p before the market crash, when the company was capitalized at £750 million.

A rescue package being put together by Candover investments, the management buyout specialist, would have involved the purchase of Coloroll by a new unquoted company, so diluting existing shareholders' interests. It fell apart at the end of last week, leaving the consortium of

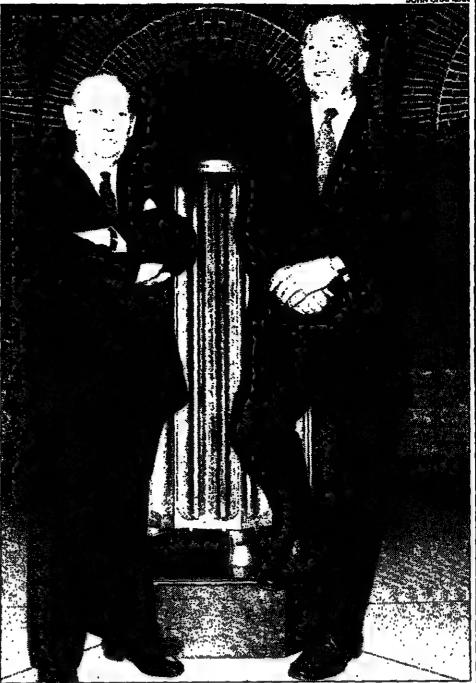
the company could not survive in its present form. A spokesman for the bank said Coloroll operates from 19 sites, mainly in the North of England and in Scotland. Anof the negotiations with Candover: "The more they looked, the less they liked alysts believe that large There wasn't enough in the company. There are still a number of good, sound busi-nesses which will, I'm sure, find buyers."

The view in the market is that a number of potential buyers have delayed coming forward in the hope that the company would slide into bankruptcy, allowing them to buy at knock-down prices.

Mr Kenneth Marks, formerly with Debenhams, one But given the mountain of ing environment in the home aut Mr Ashcroft as chairman furnishings sector, some analysts doubt whether trading profits are covering interest payments. One said: "It must one of the brightest stars of the 1980s, admired by the Prime have reached that level, because the revenue simply Minister for his entrepreneurwasn't there. Their stock levels were very high, and what they had to do is sell carpets "We've had approaches for virtually every part of the and whatever at deep disbusiness - except the head counts. I think some of the accounting policies that Coloroll has used might be office. I've no regret about it all because I really believe that seen as slightly optimistic."

Mr Nicholas Jones, of SG Warburg, its merchant Lazard Brothers, the merbank, had been trying to put a chant bank which was acting for Candover, said: "There rescue package together for were some good businesses in Coloroll since the beginning of the year, when a warning on profits and possible contingent liabilities made it clear wasn't a structure that fitted."

Climb helps Boots shine



Better-than-expected results: Robert Gunn (left), the chairman, and Sir James

out for Dunsdale director

Warrant

By Jon Ashworth

A WARRANT has been issued for the arrest of Mr Robert Miller, the director of Dunsdale Securities, the investment firm suspended this week, amid growing fears that up to £20 million in clients'

money may be at risk.

The company was placed in provisional liquidation yesterday, at the request of clients who had been unable to either contact Mr Miller or withdraw their money. Mr Raymond Manning, insolvency partner at Stoy Hayward, and Mr Harold Sorsky of Sorsky Defries, the accountant, were appointed joint liquidators and immediately visited the company's Park Lane offices.

Stoy Hayward said that the company had been placed in liquidation on application to the Court by various creditors. It said Mr Hocking had taken possession and control of the company's premises and records and had commenced his investigation into the whereabouts of its assets.

Fraud Squad officers under the direction of the Serious Fraud Office were also at the premises and were working in conjunction with the liquidators.

A private meeting of creditors is due to take place at the firm's offices on Monday. Mr Miller's whereabouts are not known, but he is believed to

Mr Sorsky said that the police had removed certain files and documents from the company's premises and that the liquidators were preparing a list of creditors.

Serious money, page 27

Jobs saved as Prust is closed

By NEIL BENNETT BANKING CORRESPONDENT

CCF Laurence Prust, the institutional stockbroker, has been forced to close after its management failed to agree the terms of a buyout with Crédit Commercial de France, its French banking parent. CCF has, however, saved

many of the 80 jobs by negotiating staff transfers: a corporate broking team will join Schroder Securities, while Brown Shipley is negotiating a joint venture with the institutional equity sales staff.

Most of Prust's other

employees will be moved into CCF's growing corporate finance and asset management businesses. CCF is also planning to start market-making to French stocks in London. Despite this, the bank estimates that 30 jobs will be lost.

Prust, which lost £1 million last year, had only 0.7 per cent of the City's institutional equity business. Mr Anthony Greayer, head of CCF's London operations, said this was the cause of the manage-

ment buyout's failure.
"Whichever way we looked
at it," he said, "a company with this market share was in a very difficult position. The big brokers are putting a lot of money into keeping market share, and we could not see the value in keeping a small distribution business.

The two staff transfer deals contrast with the sudden closure of other stockbroking firms, and will come as a relief to dealers who were expecting to lose their jobs. Under the terms Mr Ed-

ward Cumming-Bruce, the head of corporate broking, will take a team of at least seven to Schroders, hoping to retain many of Prust's 77 corporate

Retailer fails after 50 years

By GILLIAN BOWDITCH

retailer, has gone into least 1,000 jobs. The group, which has been a quoted company for more than 50 years, called in the receivers after negotiations on a reverse takeover with the Lewis's stores group Fletsand fell through For the year to March, the

A GOLDBERG, the Scottish

group, which includes Wrygges, Schuh and Ted Baker, made a trading loss of £9.6 million, before interest of £1.1 million and provisions for exceptional items. There are debts in excess of £5 million

Mr Mark Goldberg, the group's chairman and the third generation of his family to run the business, broke the news to the company's employees yesterday. Goldberg shares were suspended in the morning at 37p, valuing the group at £6.3 million.

Goldberg had been struggling for some time, and at the beginning of the year appointed a new chief executive, Mr Adrian Atkinson, who announced plans to close up to half the group's stores and lay off more than 300 staff. Three months ago Mr Jeff Banks, the designer, was apbut it was too late. For the last on unprofitable shops.



Mr Goldberg: broke news week the company has been in talks with Fletsand, which holds 25 per cent of the company. Yesterday the board said it was not possible to conclude a deal "despite strenuous efforts to secure additional funding, and to conclude the acquisition on commercial terms that would have safeguarded the future of the enlarged group".

Last year, Goldberg fought off a £32 million paper bid from Blacks Leisure, itself a troubled retailer. The group's main problem stemmed from an ambitious expansion programme in the South at the time of the consumer boom in pointed in an attempt to the mid-1980s, which left it revive the group's fortunes, with expensive commitments

UBS Phillips settles

ers' Committee of the Stock per share for shares that would handling compensation nego-tiations arising from the Blue underwriters and 41p for other Arrow affair, announced that shares taken up in the placing. broker, had agreed to settle- settled.

THE Institutional Sharehold- ment terms. The offer is 104p Exchange, which has been have been taken up if there UBS Phillips & Drew, the County NatWest has already

Retailer improves 16.7% to £358m

By OUR CITY STAFF

iè retati groud, dro duced higher-than-expected pre-tax profits of £358 million in the year to March. But the City was disappointed with the results produced by Ward White, which Boots bought for £900 million last August. The Ward White busi-

nesses, including Halfords, Payless and AG Stanley, contributed £39 million in seven months, against analysts' expectations of more than £45 million. Part of the shortfall was due to a switch by Boots to more conservative accounting policies.

The City was also dis-appointed to see that earnings dilution last year was about 10 per cent, and analysts expect a similar level of dilution this year. At the time of the original bid, Sir James Blyth, the chief executive of Boots, said there would be no dilution. However, he said yesterday, that since then the group had increased its offer and there had been a rise in interest rates.

Pre-tax profits for the group rose 16.7 per cent on sales up 25 per cent at £3.38 billion. Earnings per share rose 12.8 per cent to 25.5p and the final dividend is 7.15p, making a total of 11p, up from 10p. Property profits rose 18 per cent to £54.4 million.

The star performer was Boots The Chemist, with better-than-expected profits of £190 million, up 25 per cent. The pharmaceutical division made profits of £111 million, up 16.6 per cent. The group has applied for registration of Manoplax, its heart drug, in Britain and the US. Children's World incurred a £6.4 million loss, the same as last year.

Second property investor suffers decline British Land net assets fall

By MATTHEW BOND

reduction in net asset value.

Mr John Ritblat, the chair-531p to 492p in the year to March, a fall of more than 7 per cent.

Earlier in the week a 3.3 per cent fall in net asset value reported by Great Portland Estates sent shares tumbling. But yesterday the sector showed more resilience.

Although British Land slid 15p to 318p initially, it recovered to close unchanged at 333p. Other leading investment companies gained ground with Great Portland Estates adding 6p to 249p,

BRITISH Land has become Greycoat 9p higher at 408p, currently. Net rents increased the second property invest-ment company to report a 509p and MEPC up 14p to million.

fell by 10 per cent in the year to March.

That figure compares with the 12 per cent fall reported by Great Portland and a 2.75 per cent reduction reported by Land Securities.

Pre-tax profits fell sharply, down from £69.5 million to £44.8 million.

The interest charge more than trebled to £29.7 million. An additional £2.5 million of interest was capitalized. view of property development restructuring plan.

At the end of last year, Mr

According to its indepen- Ritblat had to withdraw plans man, said British Land's net dent valuers, the value of to restructure British Land, asset value per share fell from British Land's City properties following apposition from in-

stitutional shareholders, which felt his scheme to split the old British Land into two new companies was too gen-erous towards the Ritblat family.

Mr Rithlat said that the company was still looking at ways of restructuring. A final dividend of 5.25p a share is being paid, a 75 per cent increase over last year's 3p, but that reflects the lack of an interim dividend passed at the following the group's cautious time of the abortive



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Hidden agenda supporting shares at time of corporate woe Why bad can mean good in the City

By JOHN BELL, CITY EDITOR

TO A City type, it may all be perfectly logical. But to the man on the Clapham omnibus, the sight of shares cruising serenely higher as company after company tells of corporate carnage, is bizarre. Any hitchhiker's guide to the City would have to point out that bad is sometimes good and that good is sometimes bad. To outsiders, though, it may

not always be obvious which is when. The CBI report of rising retail sales may encourage the plain man. To an economist, it means that the signals from commerce are still at amber, and that the Government's efforts to stifle inflationary pressures may need yet more time.

Equally perversely, the death throes of a one-time high-flyer such as Coloroll are, however painful to those directly affected, an inevitable consequence of the correction that must follow when Whitehall loses its grip on the economy.

the profit warnings that now arrive almost daily, the rash of rights issues and the occasional spectacular bust, are all part of the pain that accompanies the troughs of market cycles. The City's hard men invariably dance to an entirely different tune.

To case-hardened professional investors,

They have watched institutions allowing their liquidity to stack up to a current 6 per cent of their portfolios. In folding money, that represents close on £25 billion waiting to shift out of safe havens and back into equities. The raw material to fuel share price rises is there aplenty. and there is much more to be mobilized. The alternatives to the UK equity

market are not all that enticing. In the US and continental Europe, market ratings based on earnings multiples are higher, at roughly 14 in the US against an historic 11 in the London. There has also been a technical factor

or two at work. With funds soon to close

reports to trustees and unitholders due soon afterwards, there is no incentive to be more underweight in equities than is necessary. This may not yet have led to a flood of money back into the market, but it has certainly led to a scarcity of sellers. However, the most potent influence has stemmed from belief that at last the Government has made a serious

their books on the second quarter, and

European exchange rate mechanism. The implications are, in perception at least, powerful. The prospect of a stable pound at interest rates a good deal lower than would otherwise be demanded by foreign sterling holders, is excellent news for corporate profits and exports, and

commitment to early entry into the

therefore for markets. Since financial markets invariably prefer travelling hopefully to the reality of arrival, the buoyant mood should continue at least until Mr Major pronounces afresh on Britain and the ERM.

to £110m at half time

fell from £120 million to £110 million in the six months to end-March. But the international trading group, of which Mr Tiny Rowland is chief executive, said underlying profits from operations had risen by 34 per cent.

Last year, interim profits were boosted by £38 million above the line from the sale of whisky stocks, which co-incided with the sale of the group's spirits and fine wines

A second interim dividend of 5p has been declared. Allowing for a one-for-10 scrip issue, this makes the equivalent of 8.3p so far, up 10 per cent from a year ago. Earnings per share, after a notional tax charge, are 9p, against 11.6p a year ago, which included 4.1p from the whisky sales.

Profits are not broken down at the interim stage, but Mr Paul Spicer, a Lonrho director, said the group's African platinum interests were the dominant factor in profit growth and that other African interests had done well.

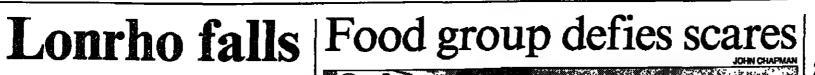
In Britain, Lonrho says its manufacturing and motor distribution companies, which include Volkswagen and Audi imports, Jack Barclay and fected by the downturn in the economy. Worldwide, motor trading profits were up, but manufacturing profits, mainly

LONRHO'S pre-tax profits textiles and steel, were lower. Metropole Hotels, the British hotels group, increased profits by 30 per cent, however, thanks to rapid expansion on its four main sites in London, Birmingham, Brighton and Blackpool. The quality market hotels in the Americas had variable results

The group's Scottish news-paper interests, principally The Glasgow Herald, increased profits. No mention is made of the Observer, which is thought to have suffered from competition from new en-trants in the national Sunday newspaper market. Mr Spicer said newspapers as a whole made a profit.

On the Continent, Lourho's German-based associates Krupp Lonrho and Kühne & Nagel, the freight and forwarding group, also continued to increase profits. Lonrho is putting much of its European effort into further expansion in Germany. Altogether, associates contrib-uted £21 million against £12 million a year ago.

City analysts, who have been forecasting pre-tax prof-its of about £270 million for the full year, found the interim results better than expected. Lonrho makes no forecast But Mr Spicer said that if the platinum price held up, "our mining profits should be terrific." Lonrho shares none the less lost 2p to 255p.





Christopher Haskins: keen to inves

He dismissed the latest food

scare, concerning British beef, as a "political stunt" by French farmers. Pork prices

and increased and beef fallen

NORTHERN Foods. Hull-based food manufacturer, braved the various food safety scares to turn in pre-tax profits ahead from £85.3 million to £90.2 million in the year to end-March (Martin

A final dividend of 7.25p nakes a total increased from 11.3p to 12.5p.

Mr Christopher Haskins, the chairman, criticized the 'hysterical response" to the scares us well as the role of the media, which he claimed "plays to society's neuroses" initially as a result, but they

the over food safety. He said the had now adjusted to their risk from the range of foods previous levels. "On balance now available was remote but the last three weeks has helped conceded: "You can't have us rather than hindered us." said Mr Haskins, Twenty-five food that is risk-free." A food bill that will strengthen the per cent of Northern's prerelevant regulations is on its pared meat output is beefway through Parliament. "The related, against 50-60 per cent food industry is going to have to pull its socks up a bit," Mr Hashim said

Northern has virtually nil gearing and is keen to invest further. Areas favoured include dairy products and meat pics in this country, and expanding into Europe in the longer run.

Oxford advances 76% to

By PHILIP PANGALOS

SHARES in Oxford Instruments Group, the hightechnology group, advanced by 34p to 233p after the company revealed a 76 per cent surge in pre-tax profits to £19.9 million in the year to March 25.

However, this figure was boosted by an exceptional gain of £4.31 million, mainly from the gain on the disposal of Oxford Magnet Technology, the medical scanner magnet business, to Siemens in May 1989. Earnings per share rose by 79 per cent to 26.8p, while earnings excluding excep-tional items rose by 10 per cent to 21p. The final dividend is improved to 2.7p

(2.2p), making 3.9p (3.2p) for the year, up 22 per cent. Mr Martin Lamaison, the finance director, said: "We have improved the balance of the group and we are no longer -product company."

Mr Lamaison said that Link Scientific, the X-ray analytical machine company acquired last September for £57.5 milion, had made segood contribution to profits.**

Group operating profits advanced by 8 per cent to £13.8 million. Group turnover was barely changed, down slightly from £101.1 million to £100.8 million. Associated companies contributed £523,000, after loss of £65,000 last time.

Mr Lamaison said that the company's cash position was close to neutral. Margins were slightly better, thanks to improved volumes and the containment of overheads.

The company is still awaiting results of tests on its synchroton project for IBM, intended to revolutionize production of silicon chips, although it says that good pro-gress has continued. The machines, which are the com-pany's key new product, could be sold for about £15 million

Mr Lamaison said: "We hope to have further development in the next few months. People are waiting to see if the prototype actually works."

Sir Austin Pearce, chairman, said: "It has been a year of change for the group. We remain an export-oriented UK manufacturer of advanced instruments, but now have a well balanced portfolio

BUSINESS ROUNDUP Etam warning adds to retailing gloom

ETAM, the fashion retailer, yesterday gave warning that profits this year will be substantially lower than last year's. Mr Alan Howard, chairman, said that consumer confidence

Mr Alan Howard, chairman, said that consumer connectice is at about the same level as in the recession of 1981.

The market, already reeling from Goldberg and Coloroll going into receivership, marked Etam shares down 29p to 124p, and analysts downgraded forecasts for the year. The group is expected to make only £5 million to £10 million this year, compared with £17.5 million last year. Etam may make a trading loss in the first half. Mr Howard told the annual a trading loss in the first half. Mr Howard told the annual meeting that conditions on the high street continued to deteriorate and that in the short term there was little prospect of any change. "A loss is probable at the interim stage," he

GM in \$1bn Russian deal

GENERAL Motors has agreed a \$1 billion deal to provide pollution control systems for Russian cars. The deal with Volga Autoworks is to provide engine management systems and could lead to a joint venture making catalytic converters. The five-year contract underlines the move by GM into the Eastern bloc. It recently announced a joint venture in East Germany.

RCO up 33% at half-way

and related services company, lifted pre-tax profits by 33 per cent to £1.73 million in the 26 weeks to end-March on turnover ahead by 27 per cent to £17.5 million. Earnings per share rose 31 per cent to 10.29p and the interim dividend is 3.5p (2.7p). The directors are confident the year-end fig-ures will exceed last time by a satisfactory margin.

Illingworth lower

ILLINGWORTH, Morris, the textiles group, reports a fall in pre-tax profits from £9.4 million to £9 million for the year to end-March. Sales fell from £96.6 million to £68.4 million in what the company described as increasingly difficult

Earnings per share rose from 15.3p to 15.7p because the tax charge dropped from £3.1 million to £2.6 million. Extraordinary charges, up from £1.6 million to £3.3 million, were not elaborated on. Net interest receivable jumped to £3.08 million (£188.000).

Waterman expects fall

WATERMAN Partnership Holdings, the engineering design consultant, has given warning that it expects lower profits for the year to end-June as a result of delayed starts to new projects and uncertainty in the construction industry. The group's share price tumbled 45p to 105p on Wednesday and was anged last night. The board expects annual profits lower than £5 million.

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tates Company, the USM-listed property investor and dealer, rose 10p to 28p after the company announced it was in talks with a third party "which may lead to an offer for the whole of the issued share capital of the company." It is understood that talks, believed to be with a foreign company, are "fairly likely to lead to a full bid."

Sanders & Sidney dip

SANDERS & Sidney, the USM executive outplacement consultant, reports a slip in pre-tax profits from £852,000 to £738,000 for the year to end-March. Turnover advanced by 26 per cent to £3.77 million. Operating profits were ahead by 26 per cent to £1.08 million. However, there was an exceptional debit of £339,000, relating to board changes.

Operating profits in the second half were virtually double

those of the first half and they have continued to advance in the new year. The final dividend is 5.2p (4.6p), making 7.5p (6.9p). Earnings per share slid from 11.7p to 9.5p.

Labour would aid Provisions first-time buyers | first at Nationwide

By LINDSAY COOK, FAMILY MONEY EDITOR

would receive extra tax relief under a Labour government, Mr Bryan Gould, Shadow Secretary of State for the Environment, said at the **Building Societies Association** conference. .

Mr Gould said the party had a very clear commitment in its policy review document to help first-time buyers. This would be in the form of extra tax relief on repayments and not cash belp with building up deposits.

At the same time, higher rate taxpayers would be re-stricted to basic rate tax relief on their mortgages. The de-tails of the removal of higherrate relief had not been worked out but it would be unlikely that homeowners would keep the extra relief until they moved house.

tax relief on the assured tenancy Business Expansion Schemes. These give tax relief on investments up to £40,000 to provide rented accommodation and any profits are also free of capital gains tax.
The Nationwide Anglia Building Society is among the

leading sponsors of these schemes, which attracted about £150 million last year. Mr Gould criticized building societies for not always being careful in their lending policies. He said that while the

FIRST-TIME homebuyers proportion of foreclosures and repossessions remained small it was increasing.

"But the fact remains that the number of those for whom home ownership has proved a painful trap is growing and that the trend is likely to worsen. Many of these people feel, with justification or otherwise, that they were lured into an unwise commitment by interest rates which have subsequently doubled, by the prospects of capital appreciation which have now been dashed, and by the illusion fostered by both the Government and the building societies - that home ownership

was always a one-way bet." He hoped that building societies would look self-critically at their own record.

I hope they will ask themselves whether, at the The party would also scrap margin, they did not lend too easily and too optimistically, and in some few cases He added: "Lenders always

have to make judgements. Building societies are no exception. They always try to make those judgements wisely and responsibly. No one is suggesting anything more than that those judgements should, where appropriate, be re-viewed and that lessons, where available, should be learned and applied in the

THE second largest building society, the Nationwide Anglia, will include bad debt provisions for mortgage arrears for the first time in its. annual results next week.

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The society will also make .. provisions for FlexAccount, ... its interest-paying current ac-count and for commercial property loans. Its estate agency network is expected to add to last year's trading losses of £9 million.

The provisions are likely to total more than £60 million. Last year the society produced pre-tax profits of £239 million.

Nationwide Anglia had funded developments being built by the Decian Kelly Group, which collapsed in February. The Halifax Building Society, one of the company's development partners, called in the receivers at the request of the Declan board. Building work on the Nationwide Anglia project was aban-doned half-completed.

The society is making provisions for other developers it feels have an uncertain future. The FlexAccount, launched

in May 1987, was the first interest-bearing current ac-count offering full banking services. It has long been rumoured by rival banks to have bad debt problems. The provisions follow an assessment of the society's credit scoring system.

Ravenscraig dispute clouds plans

British Steel eyes on Europe

By DEREK HARRIS, INDUSTRIAL EDITOR

AMID a growing row over the closure of the Ravenscraig issue with the Commons family-controlled steelmaker strip mill, British Steel is Trade and Industry Select and big supplier of construcissue with the Commons Trade and Industry Select exploring options to strengthen its presence in

British Steel's growing interest in expansion into continental Europe could well fuel the controversy precipitated by the Ravenscraig decision, which many in Scotland believe presages a complete shutdown there.

following a refusal by Sir Robert Scholey, the British Steel chairman, to meet the On the European acquisition front, British Steel has only a few details to settle on its prospective deal to acquire from West Germany's British Steel, exploring how Klockner steel, machinery and the British might help in plastics group its steel works at Troisdorf. An announcement is expected within weeks, possibly this month.

and big supplier of constructional steels. Ensidesa, one of Spain's biggest steelmakers, had also put in a bid. British Steel is also explor-

ing the possibility of collabo-rative ventures in Eastern Europe. It has already had contacts at industry level with most of the East European nations including the Poles, Hungarians and Czechs. Russian steel interests have also been to London for talks with preparing the Soviet industry for freer market conditions.

Sir Robert is, however, At the same time British
Steel is making little progress

known to be approaching prospects of collaboration with caution.

PILKINGTON ANNUAL RESULTS

The profit for 1989/90 represents a good performance, achieved in increasingly difficult trading conditions in many countries and markets served by the Group.

The balance sheet has been further strengthened and Group gearing has been reduced by 14 points through strong internal cash generation, selective divestment of non-core activities, and the monies received as a result of the investment by Nippon Sheet Glass in 20% of our United States subsidiary, Libbey-Owens-Ford.

PERFORMANCE REVIEW

At the operating level sales are ahead by 13% and profits have increased by £11 million.

This is a very creditable achievement when set against a number of adverse economic events encountered around the world.

FLAT AND SAFETY GLASS

The European operations increased profits by £9 million this year. In Germany, Flachglas achieved record results and maintained its market position in buoyant conditions. In the United Kingdom, the flat and safety glass operations of Pilkington Glass Limited achieved a very satisfactory performance.

Libbey-Owens-Ford in the United States experienced a severe downturn in profit in the second half, due to sharply reduced new car production. However, the company performed well in the architectural and residential markets.

Results in Australia were well down on the previous year. South Africa and Brazil achieved record

INSULATION AND REINFORCEMENTS

Trading conditions were difficult with lower demand in the market due to the reduction in United Kingdom building activity and the third mild winter in succession.

VISIONCARE

Pilkington Visioncare enjoyed a good start to the year, but as predicted in the Interim Statement, the later months were severely affected by adverse market conditions in the United States, the United Kingdom and Germany. The second half downturn in profit was principally due to a decline in the United States contact lens market, which is now stabilising. There are signs of improvement in the United Kingdom and strong demand has returned in Germany.

OPTRONICS

In the United Kingdom the present uncertainty in the defence industry has provided a difficult trading background, necessitating a reduction of 400 jobs at a cost of £4 million. Despite this the order book at the year end is at a record level.

PROSPECTS

The economic climate in a number of the markets in which the Group operates is more uncertain today than has been the case for some time. However, Pilkington is better positioned than ever before to take advantage of growth opportunities as they arise.

> **EXTRACTS FROM THE STATEMENT** BY THE CHAIRMAN ANTONY R. PILKINGTON

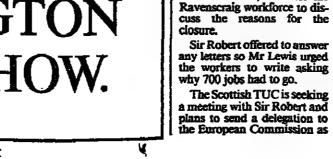
FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS £m £m 2,915.0 2,572.6 Turnover Profit before tax 314.3 325.2 Profit attributable 178.7 176.5 to shareholders Shareholders' funds 1,324.3 1,032.5 Earnings per ordinary 25.0p 27.3p Dividend per ordinary 10.5p 9.5p

- Turnover up by 13% to £2,915 million.
- Operating profits up by £11 million to £360 million.
- Dividends increased by 10.5%.
- Dividend cover 2.4 times.
- Shareholders' funds increased by £292 m (28%).
- Gearing reduced by 14 points as forecast.

servation in the auto industry.

- Excellent flat and safety glass performance in Europe.
- Investment by Nippon Sheet Glass in Libbey-Owens-Ford successfully completed.
- Technological leadership extended with launch of new products, in particular:
- Pilkington K Glass for energy conservation in buildings. - EZ-KOOL glass for solar control and energy con-





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Charges of "deplorable industrial relations" came

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n my 47th birthday, Eugene Anderson spent his first day as chairman of Ferranti International, stepping into the shoes of Sir Derek Alun-Jones. Before I am 48, he will have constructed a company that is profitable and soundly financed. By the time I am 50, Mr Anderson may be seeking a new

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Ferranti looks as if will be one of the lucky ones. Despite the crushing financial blow of the alleged fraud at its International Signal subsidiary, the company has gone beyond the stage where its survival is in doubt. This is partly because the banks were whipped into line early, but more because Ferranti had enough fat, enough hidden reserves, to cover the gaping holes left in the balance sheet by the Inter-national Signal affair.

Substantial book profits have been made on the asset sales, and new injections of equity are unneccessary.

Sometime soon, perhaps even today, Mr Anderson, the tall, affable American who moved into the mess that was Johnson Matthey and rebuilt it into a

Ferranti all ready to fly again

going concern, will announce details of his reorganization

The divisional structure will be simplified and streamlined; the old culture of divisions in similar technologies competing against each other will be swept away overnight. In its place will rise the rebuilt Ferranti, designed around the businesses left after the firesales of Ferranti Defence Systems Group and parts of the Italian operations. He can then tick off the first of the eight objectives he set himself on Day One. Others have already been ticked away.

One, however, remains unfulfilled. Number Five: "Renegotiate debt, reduce number of banks to a limited number of relationship banks, and reduce borrowing costs in line with improved financial status."

Ferranti has £192 million deposited in the bank, and only £70 million of net indebtedness. But the deposits are held under the banking standstill agreement COMMENT

DAVID BREWERTON

against contingent liabilities. As International Signal, but to Ferranti raised money from asset sales, it went straight into the desposit account. Out of £400 million, Ferranti was allowed £25 million pocket money. This week, the banks were

the company's position and potential. A report was put together by Coopers & Lybrand Deloitte, backing the reorganization and the case for renegotiation of the banking facilities. Barings, lead banker, is also on-side, so the company looks to be on the home straight. Ferranti needs to get out from under the standstill agreement

and into a more normal banking

relationship so that it can spend

rationalize, make redundancies where necessary and close uneconomic facilities. The sooner this is done, the sooner a positive operating cash flow will be established, which should make the bankers feel more given a detailed presentation of comfortable than a contrived stop-gap which has probably now outlived its purpose. One of the problems may be

that the banks are rather a shellshocked brigade at the moment. They let British & Commonwealth slip through their fingers, throwing the ball to the authorities which promptly dropped it. The unfortunate "Pots 'n' Pans Man" from Ceals mu Debeckers Kenneth Marks Debenhams, Kenneth Marks, who moved in to replace John money, not to buy itself another

Ashcroft at Coloroli, has found the "very strong vibes" he had from the banks were insufficient

to keep the company afloat. The banks, not for the first time, are torn between their image and their reserves. The right move at Ferranti should do both a power of good.

All square

Yesterday's tale of woe in the high street, with two former high fliers—Coloroll and Goldberg—falling heavily to earth and another -Etam - giving a low fuel warning, seems at first sight difficult to square with the "moderate rise" in sales reported by the latest distributive trades survey from the Confederation of British

But the overall picture conceals much variation in the detail. Sales of basic comdetail. Sales of basic com- warning signs have not been modities like food appear to have switched off.

continued to grow quite strongly - so strongly in fact that imports of food have been remarkably buoyant as the trade figures have showed.

More peripheral items of spending, however, especially more traditionally those dependent on credit, like household goods, have been sharply cut back. Retail categories reporting lower sales than a year ago include specialist food, durable household goods, booksellers and stationers and household textiles, furniture and carpets. Against that background the problems of Coloroll, and to a lesser extent Goldberg, are less

surprising.

From the macro-economic point of view the Government can perhaps take comfort from the evidence that retailers in general are beginning to feel the squeeze. Few jobs have been shed, which means that for most retailers margins have been cut.
Prices at all stages of the
distribution chain are rising more

slowly. For investors, however, the

OFFICERS of the Metropolitan Police fraud squad have moved in on the plush Park Lane offices of Dunsdale Securities in an attempt to learn more about Mr Robert Miller, the company's only director, who has not been seen at the offices for a week.

They were joined by the provisional liquidators, Mr Raymond Hocking, of Stoy Hayward, and Mr Harold Sorsky, of Sorsky Defries, the accountants, who took the first steps towards piecing together the extent to which investors' money may be at risk. The final count will depend on amounts which may be awaiting settlement, but between £15 million and £20 million is now thought to be involved.

Speaking from the company's offices yesterday afternoon, Mr Sorsky said he and his colleagues were trying to establish what had happened and why. "I have not found any gilt certificates or substantial amounts of money, and we are continuing our inquiry. I believe a serious amount of money is at stake."

Mr Sorsky, who was preparing a list of creditors, said he thought as many as 200 investors were involved. They are thought to have invested from £1.000 to £500,000 each with Dunsdale Securities.

Police officers removed books and files from the company's offices. A warrant has been issued for Mr Miller's arrest.

Bitter friends and customers were counting the cost of their dealings with Mr Miller, described as a well-dressed and polite businessman with a taste for high living. A party he held for friends and investors at Apsiey House less than 10 days ago, including an opera performance and dinner, was being described yesterday as a "swan-song" by close friends who said it may have been Mr Miller's way of

flats in Highpoint, Highgate, north London. He said his family went on to invest

Serious money at stake in the Dunsdale liquidation



Harold Sorksy: no gilt certificates found

Mr Miller, who holds a ing Noteline, Florcourt and was set up in 1974. He went on to become a director of several Properties, and others includ- companies.

degree from the London Devabrook. He was appointed wish to be named, grew up with Mr Miller in a block of face in Wisherin a block of Stock Evolution on the Stock Ev Stock Exchange before joining
Dunsdale Securities which
Of City Trust, a London bank, in November 1985, and as a director of Crewheath Travel Miller who was known to like dealing in blocks of £25,000 a companies, including Dunsdale Guarantee and Dunsdale director of several non-trading in July 1987. He was also a

Mr Miller, who is 40, has one son from a previous marriage, and a sister who lives in Canada. He recently remarried, and is believed to be abroad with his new wife. After his divorce, Mr Miller paid £750,000 for a luxurious seven-bedroom house in the heart of Mayfair, which he converted at substantial cost. The property is thought to be valued at £1 million. He is also believed to own a £2 million property in St John's Wood, north London.

Mr Miller's trademarks included a chauffeur-driven Mercedes, said to be a legacy of having lost his driving licence. Clients remembered him for his smart appearance and easy manner. He was known to work long hours, often working into the evening at his Park Lane offices which were within easy walking dis-tance of his Mayfair home.

Investors included friends and relatives, many of whom were attracted by the prospect of returns of 20 per cent or more on their money. Duns-dale invested primarily in gilts.

One puzzle still unex-plained is why it had taken Fimbra, the Financial Intermediaries, Managers and Brokers Regulatory Association, nearly four days to discover that an order freezing the assets of Mr Miller and Dunsdale Securities had been granted in the High Court.

Fimbra regularly carries out compliance checks on many of latest turn of events are likely formed well, cutting gearing have been tackled 000 members, but the to call into question its effectiveness as a regulator. Fimbra refuses to comment further on the case.

The Investors Compensation Scheme formed two years ago under the Financial Services Act is facing its biggest single test as a result of the Dunsdale affair. Under the acheme, investors may be paid up to £48,000 in compensation as a result of losses suffered by a fully authorized firm. Dundsdale was authorized to carry out investment business and handle client money, unlike many of the smaller Fimbra members.

Jon Ashworth

TEMPUS

Gloomy year for Pilkington

glassmaker Pilkington in a group can manage £300 mil-year when construction hous-ing and cars were all depressed.

At £314.3 million, pre-tax profits were slightly below best hopes with the market looking for a figure closer to last year's £325 million. On closer scrutiny, the figures were boosted by the £27.8 million proceeds of a German waterworks disposal. Net of this, profits were £286.5 million, 12 per cent below the previous year.

But coupled with disappointing news from the group's newer diversifications, an important plank of the strategy which persuaded the City to reject BTR's takeover bid, the figures made drab reading.

In flat and safety glass, some 77 per cent of group sales trading profit struggled to a 2 per cent increase at £293 million. In the US a motor industry downturn hit Libby Owens Ford. Of the group's smaller businesses, insulation, where operating profit fell from £17 million to £9 million, was hit by lower housing sales. Visioncare was perhaps the most disappointing result with operating profit £10 million lower at £25 million.

Financially, Pilkington per-

NOT much was expected of 14 points to 45 per cent. If the earnings. But given the gloom in most of Pilkington's trading areas, the shares are no more than a hold.

> Norcros THIS was the year Norcros

was supposed to come good. Profits growth was expected to have resumed by the beginning of the Nineties, with the new management broom, introduced in the spring of 1988, having swept through the group. As it is, Mr Nigel Lawson's legacy of high in-terest rates has seen profits all but halved and, but for exceptionals, would have forced the board to raid the reserves to hold the dividend.

early recovery. The good news is quick in the telling, Building products' 29 per cent advance at the operating level in tough conditions owes much to the market positioning of Crittall windows, Triton showers and the like. Elsewhere the outlook is bleak. A slump in ceramics' profits, from £21.8 million to £7.78 million, means drastic surgery for the tile business, amid thoughts that it might

Property fared still worse, with profits down from £13.9 million to £2.9 million, and has contributed heavily to the surge in gearing to 46.7 per cent. On paper, the £100 million portfolio more than covers the debts, but the group would not fancy having to justify that statistic in a hurry.

Group plans include winding down the property development, says the board. You bet they do. Without an early cut in base rates, Norcros will do well to beat £42 million pre-tax this year.

Meanwhile, income considerations are all that support the share price. The 10p rise to 208p left the yield above 10 per cent, without which Norcros looks an eventual break-up candidate.

Northern Foods And there is little chance of

IT IS one of life's ironies that the spate of food scares over the past year or so might turn out to be good news in the long run for the big producers like Northern Foods.

Chicken, cheese, eggs, beef
—all have been swept from the dining tables of the "middleclass neurotics" derided by Mr Christopher Haskins, Northem's chairman. While this may be perceived as bad news in the City, it strengthens the

tie between quality producers like Northern who have been investing of late in the best equipment and the big food retailers, who are less and less inclined to take chances with their sources of supply.

After years of squeezing margins at their suppliers, the stores are being forced to realize that producing quality food safely is expensive.

This must be good for Northern, which last year completed a new chilled foods factory at Sheffield and will see 40 per cent of its output go to the big four retailers this

The group came in with a 6 per cent rise in pre-tax profits to £90.2 million in the year to end-March, flattered to some extent by lower pension fund contributions and capitalized interest on the new plant it has built. The shares, still some way from the 362p they reached in September, jumped

8p to 317p on the news. The outlook is not entirely rosy - the biscuit market is flat with price-cutting threatening the bottom end - but as Northern further cements its relationship with the retailers

it should make progress.

Assuming it makes £100 million pre-tax this year, the shares are changing hands on a reasonable 9.7 times fixure earnings. A solid hold at the

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Boots bounce up to Blyth

INSIDERS at Boots who

time Sir James Blyth, their chairman, spends out of the office, have been put sharply in their places by the agreed merger of Boots' DIY division, Payless, with WH Smith's Do-It-All. For the idea that gave rise to the deal, which has created the largest DIY group in Britain, came to Blyth during one such absence from Boots head office. Previously managing director of Plessey, and before that head of defence sales at the Ministry of Defence, Blyth was playing tennis at London's prestigious Queen's Club about eight weeks ago when his tennis opponent, Alasdair Simpson, planted the relevant seed. The Boots boss, who has just celebrated his 50th birthday, was apparently complaining about the difficult times in the DIY market. Simpson, a solicitor with West End firm Manches & Co, thought that his grievances sounded strangely familiar. His firm, it so happened, acted for WH Smith, which naturally enough, was experiencing similar problems. Insisting that he acted more as a catalyst than Cupid, Simpson, whose firm is moving to offices in Aldwych to be closer to the Square Mile, said: "The need for consolidation in the market was obvious and I just

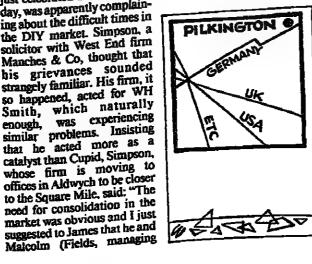
is as good a place as anywhere to bounce a few ideas

grumble about the amount of time Sir James Blyth, their chairman, spends out of the cans become millionaires-... by winning a lottery. Statisticians have calculated that a further 120,000 individuals will be made millionaires by such means during the next and working knowledge of man ears."

10 years.

Only kidding

PROVIDING a test of the senses of humour of those who work in the Square Mile, FRS, a head-hunting group specializing in asset finance, placed what was deemed to be a fairly obvious April Fool job advert in that month's edition of Asset Finance & Leasing Di-



"Albania's largest goat-breeding organisation," was seeking a cross-border finance manager possessing "good goat farming skills (particularly black faced woolly shanks) and an ability to arrange barter transactions with Greek and Yugoslavian farmers." The advert added that a Communist Party background

and warship design circa 1945 would be an advantage. To the Global war games astonishment of FRS, there were some serious replies. Chris Devonshire-Ellis, managing director of FRS, refused to identify one applicant, a senior leasing manhim further embarrassment. But he said FRS has now found him a job with the National Bank of Greece. "We had been seeking to fill that post for four months," he

Poor painting

added.

EMPLOYEES at Daishowa Paper, the company whose chairman, Ryoei Saito, recently startled the world and thrilled art dealers by paying \$82.5 million for a Van Gogh, \$78.1 million for a Renoir and picked up a \$4 million Rodin sculpture with his loose change, are feeling more than a little miffed. Loyal Japanese workers though they are, they are nevertheless finding it difficult to accept the reason

director of WH Smith) get gest. The application address repeatedly given by their boss together. I think a tennis court was "Enver Hoxha Buildings" when he turns down their and the client, described as annual requests for a wage such extravagances as a pay

> GRAFFITO on a builder's hoarding in Belsize Park, North London: "The most underdeveloped territory on Earth is situated between hu-

THE British Coal Pension Fund has dramatically switched tactics in its £1.03 billion bid for Globe Investment Trust. A handful of its ager with an international fund managers were spotted datacom company, to spare stalking through woods near Hook in Hampshire, with pistols drawn the other day. But David Hardy, the Globe chairman, can rest easily in his bed. For, on this occasion at least, the foe being attacked by the fund managers was James Capel. Capel's team was led by Chris Morris, a food and stores analyst, who had invited the Coal fund to a day of war games in the countryside. But although Capel won the day, albeit by a narrow margin, another of its analysts, Andrew Falshaw, had a narrow escape when one of the exploding yellow pellets fired from the pistols narrowly missed one of his eyes. "He is looking a bit jaundiced," Mor-

ris admitted. Carol Leonard

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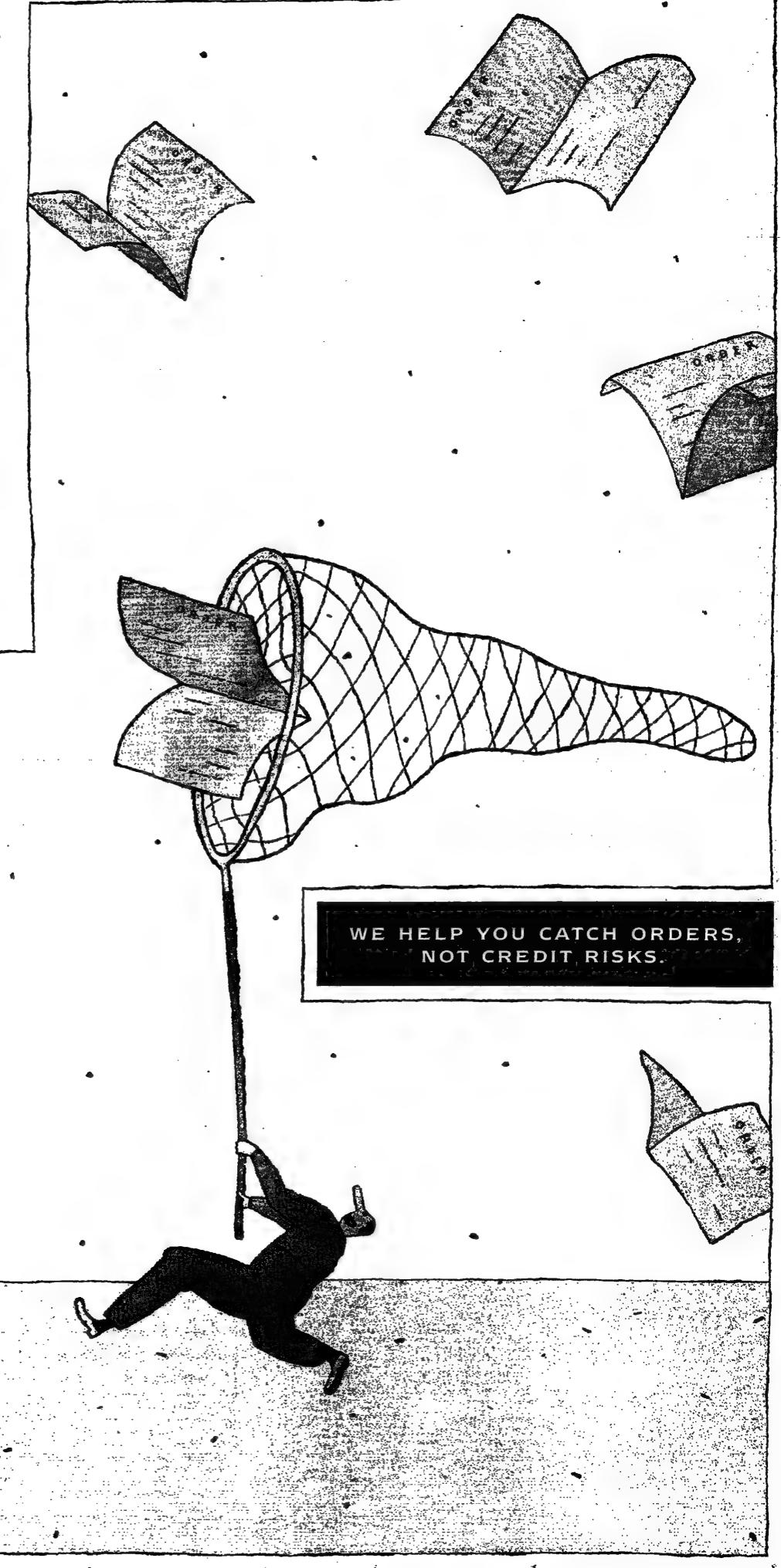
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Revaluation by Globe hampers Coal's bid

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GLOBE investment Trust has taken advantage of the rising stock market to increase its asset valuation and put itself further out of reach from the hostile £1.03 billion bid by British Coal Pension Funds.

In its latest desence document, Globe states its total value is 233p a share, up from the 225p that it announced last month. The new figure is 29p higher than the trust's in the year to end-March. asset value when the bid was lannched.

Most of the uplift comes from Globe's portfolio of quoted shares. The FT-SE 100 index has risen 9 per cent since Globe last updated its assets

But assets have also been helped by Globe's acquisition of a 57-year lease on Globe House, its headquarters, from Mountleigh, for £54.5 million.

In all Globe's underlying assets are valued at 218.1p, compared with 210p last month. The valuation of 233p is made up by including the trust's final 4p dividend, a valuation of its fund management operations, and 3.4p for the discount on the group debenture stock.

The market received Globe's new figures well, and its share rose 3p to 201p, well beyond the reach of British American progress makes up for slack market in Britain

US growth is the key to Yale advance

Home product profits im-

proved by a similar amount

Total sales for the group advanced by almost 19 per cent to £414.7 million, of

which the US businesses accounted for £252.4 million.

further growth this year, with added impetus if Britain is

"through the worst" and in-terest rates begin to fall.

Mr Montague also expects

to see some contribution from

per share are up from 28.1p to 32.3p. Yale and Valor shares

responded with a 3p rise to

Mr Montague is looking for

YALE and Valor, the locks to East, Thailand, the Philippines and Singapore. household appliance group, has overcome disappointing results in the UK to turn in a but on a bigger base, from £31.1 million to £35.4 million. pre-tax profits increase from £49.3 million to £56.6 million Turnover was £236.7 million against £197 million for

Mr Michael Montague, the chairman, whose vision cata-pulted the former Valor gas heater business into the big league with its acquisition of the Yale locks and NuTone electric appliance activities in 1987, says the home market remains slack with the exception of the industrial products

In the United States, however, the commercial and industrial side of the company is strong. Home products results were good despite less than favourable market conditions.

new products, including the first British Standard Yale door lock, with 1 million combinations of keys, which he introduced yesterday at the Howard Hotel, London. Operating profits from the security division climbed from £17.7 million to £21.7 million on sales of £141.9 The final dividend is 6.15p a share, making 10.05p for the year, against 8.75p. Earnings million against £118.6 million, and continued growth is seen worldwide.

Mr Montague points to big responding rises in sales in the Middle 321p.



In the big league: Michael Montague yesterday

causes slide in results at 600 Group

By PHILIP PANGALOS

THE 600 Group, the machine tool, laser and optical equip-ment company, reports a slide in pre-tax profits from £10.1 million to £8.59 million in the year to end-March.

The results reflect the costs of refocusing and reorganization. The largest single factor was the restructuring of Colchester Lathe, the group's largest machine tool manufacturer, which has been completed — but profits were reduced by about £1.7 million. Earnings per share slip from

14.8p to 11.4p. The final dividend is maintained at 3.74p, making an unchanged total of 6.2p for the year. The figures included an exceptional profit of £896,000 from the surplus on property sales.

Group turnover was marginally reduced to £155.8 million, against £156.5 million previously, affected by the company's decision to withdraw from turnkey contracting in the Middle East and focus on its core activities. Further costs are being in-curred in this strategic withdrawal and full provision has been made, resulting in an extraordinary charge of £4.51 continuing businesses were ahead by about 9 per cent.

The shares firmed by 2p to 108p.

Restructure | South West Water narrowly beats predicted profits

er ebbed 2p to 160p as the company reported that it had only narrowly beaten its own forecast for the year to end-March, made at the time of last year's flotation, and was

South West made £45.3 million pre-tax, against a forecast of £44.5 million. The dividend is to be 11.62p, as indicated in the prospectus. Earlier this week, Thames Water surprised the stock market by paying a higher dividend than had been suggested and North West Water beat its own profits forecast by

more than £5 million. Pro forma pre-tax profits, which assume the new capital structure imposed by the stock market float had been in place throughout the year, were £82.8 million pre-tax, just £800,000 ahead of the forecast with the prospectus, South West said. The figure achieved was two or three million

Pro forma earnings per share were 61.9p, against a prospectus forecast of 61.3p. South West had been seen at the float as one of the hardest water companies to sell because of publicity over pollution and contaminated water supplies. But the shares

pounds below some City

SHARES in South West Water each of the stage from their 100p partly-paid price before easing back to their

present level. Mr Keith Court, the chairman, said the management had accelerated the company's paying only the indicated capital investment plan and ing the year, a 50 per cent increase on last time. A similar rise was planned for the current year, and over the next 10 years it would be spending £1.4 billion. The board would be pursuing a progressive dividend policy as set out in

the prospectus.

The group had the benefit of operating in a region of growth, and turnover grew by 13 per cent to £121 million. Further growth of the core business would be supported by development of pon-core by development of non-core

enterprises. The flotation had provided South West with a strong balance sheet giving a sound financial basis for the future.

Mr Court confirmed that the company was going ahead with its legal action against British Alcan over pollution at Camelford, Cornwall, in 1988 that threatened to affect the shares' stock market debut. Drinking supplies had become accidentally contaminated with aluminium sulphate at South West's Lowermoor

Interim £21.8m at Daily Mail group

Trust, owner of the Daily Mail and the Evening Standard, produced pre-tax profits of £21.8 million in the six months to end-March. The previous figure, of £19 million, is not directly comparable because of the acquisition during the previous first half of 49.95 per cent of Associated Newspapers Holdings.

The interim dividend on the A non-voting shares is raised by 2p to 27p. Trading profit was ahead from £23.4 million to £32.7 million, but income from investments The A shares fell by £1 to dropped from £4.2 million to £49.

DAILY Mail and General £100,000 after the sale of the group's holding in Consoli-dated-Bathurst, and interest

The group said that a reduction in overall revenue in a difficult trading environment for newspapers had largely offset the benefits of cost reductions and operating efficiencies. The economic conditions under which the group was operating were unlikely to improve significantly during the current financial year, it

Hunter Saphir profit falls 8% to £5.6m

HUNTER Saphir, the USMquoted food group 20 per cent owned by the beleaguered Berisford International, yesterday reported an 8 per cent fall in pre-tax profits to £5.6

The group gave warning about profits in March and the shares reacted with a 1p fail to 93p. The total dividend for the remains unchanged at 5.05p, with earnings up 8 per

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Sales fell from £167 million to £137 million, reflecting the

disposal of the canned food operations. Sales of the

Since the year-end a depot has been sold for £4.5 million and a another depot sale is

On trading prospects, the group said the first quarter was "in line with plans," but would continue to be affected by the "high financing cost of

disposal programme." This will affect half-year The Boots Company PLC

Boots announces st-ever 3580 million.

Profit up 16.7%

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Available through all bookshops, including Geographia Map Shop, Ludgate Hill, London EC4. Tel: 01-248 3554 Boots The Chemists achieved another record year with sales up 8.9% and profit up 25.8%.

 Successful integration of Halfords and AG Stanley. (Payless DIY to combine with WH Smith's Do It All, announced 5th June 1990.)

Boots Opticians acquired Miller and Santhouse and integrated the business into the chain.

● Pharmaceuticals increased profit by 16.6%, with outstanding success in the USA.

Commenting on the results, the Chairman, Robert Gunn, said:

"This is an outstanding result, particularly the profit increase of 25.8% from Boots The Chemists - a profit which has increased on a comparative basis by over 70% in the past

The group result is against a background of a tough economic environment most significantly in the UK, and reflects successful management of the business in terms of product development, successful marketing and careful cost control."

PRELIMINARY RESULTS HIGHLIGHTS To 31st March 1990									
	1990	1989	INCREASE						
Pre-tax profit	£358.0m	£306.7m	+16.7%						
Pre-tax profit (excluding profit from property sales)	£342.8m	£295.0m	+16.2%						
Earnings per share	25.5p	22.6p	+12.8%						
Final dividend	7.15p	6.5p	+10.0%						

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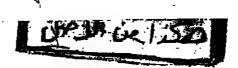
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JAPAN appears to be heading for another row with the United States over trade.

The latest dispute centres on Tokyo's new and controversial theory that its large trade surpluses are not the demons of American myth, but a virtuous and vital source of cash needed to rebuild Eastern Europe.

The US, and many economists, are finding it hard to swallow Japan's logic. Even Japanese trade officials are worried that the new sales pitch could sour relations between the two nations at next month's world summit in

But Tokyo's finance ministry said that, far from threatening the world trading system or its economic health, Japan's surpluses are helping to keep the system affoat by funding American budget deficits and tempering the rise in interest rates all over the world.

Tokyo's external surpluses are seen by many of its trading partners as evidence of Japan's import barriers. To call them beneficial, even necessary, has been taboo in Tokyo until now.

Washington is particularly irritated with the timing of the Japanese ministry's novel argument. It comes just weeks after the Americans thought they had won trade concessions from Tokyo that might help to shrink the stubborn American trade deficit with Japan.

Economists regard the rationale behind Japan's thinking as questionable at best. At worst, they say, the theory is little more than an attempt to use voodoo economics to justify Japan's continued cur-



an economically honourable

reason for Washington's cur-

rent account to remain deeply

in the red. Mr Nicholas Brady, the US

Treasury Secretary, has dis-

missed the argument, saying a

few days ago that countries

defying predictions of a slow-down, boomed at an annual

growth rate of 4.4 per cent

during the first quarter of this

the gross national product had

expanded 2.5 per cent in real

terms compared with the final

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in a good position to under-

take its planned economic and

monetary union with East

West Germany's perfor-

mance, after eight years of impressive growth, contrasts sharply with Britain, where

the Government's counter-

inflationary policy is slowing

down the economy.

Germany.

Official figures showed that

rent account surpluses. They if there is a sound justification

say it is impossible to pick an for Japan's surpluses, there optimal level for a current must, by implication, also be account balance.

It is also ironic that Japan should be suggesting that Eastern Europe cannot survive with recycled funds from abroad when Japan's postwar economic miracle was financed by savings generated at

What annoys the US is that should keep trying to reduce issue."

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South China Post

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From Lulu Yu in hong kong

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them by boosting domestic

He stressed that the need for capital in Eastern Europe should not be confused with the need for surplus countries to continue to bring down their external surpluses by increasing investment relative

Many economists are also puzzled by Japan's new think-

Mr Peter Tasker, an analyst at Kleinwort Benson, the merchant bank, in Tokyo, said: "It's not a very credible argument. Eastern Europe is just a sideshow, it's just an excuse. In the decades after the war, Japan did not rely on

foreign borrowing.

"What is worrying Japan's finance ministry is that if the current account surplus continues to fall, then the yen will continue to weaken, which could fan inflation and accelerate Japan's land-price spiral. This is what lies behind the sudden surge in interest in the theory of the 'necessary' cur-rent account surplus."

Japan's current account surplus has been falling from its 1986 peak of \$94 billion. It stood at \$53.5 billion in the year to end-March.

But some economists predict that the yen's recent decline will swell Japan's trade surplus by making Japanese exports cheaper and its imports dearer. This would aimost certainly rekindle American hostility.

Mr Kim Schoenholtz, an economist at the Tokyo office of Salomon Brothers, the US investment bank, said: "We forecast that Japan's current account will start rising in the second half of this year and into next year, so the problem

ethnic Germans in the past

year, the West German un-

employment rate last month

fell from 7.3 per cent to 7 per

cent - the lowest for eight

years - thanks to the jobs

boom affecting the whole

Many commentators have

predicted that economic and

monetary union between the

two Germanies, scheduled to

begin on July 1, will cause economic turbulence, generat-

ing inflation and forcing Bonn

Although some slowdown is

expected in the current quar-

ter, forecasters are now look-

ing for an annual West

German growth rate for the whole of this year close to last

to raise taxes.

member of Fed resigns

From John Durie IN NEW YORK

ings of South Africa. THE US Federal Reserve Board lost its second member this year with the surprise resignation of Mr Manuel Johnson, the vice-chairman. Mr Johnson, who joined the Fed in 1986, will head a

private economic research group and will also return to teaching at George Mason University. Earlier this year Mr David

Mullins, a former Treasury official, replaced Mr Robert Heller, who had resigned to take up a private enterprise position. The news came as the

Commerce Department revised downwards its estimate of American business spending to an annual increase of 5.5 per cent. The new estimate compares

with the department's original 7.9 per cent predicted growth in capital expenditure, which in turn, compares with the 8.9 per cent growth last year. The figures underline the slowing growth in the American economy as shown by the 1.3 per cent GNP growth in the first quarter this year.

Wall Street economists have also downgraded estimates of second-quarter growth to around 2 per cent from original estimates above a 2.5 per cent growth level.

The department said manufacturing capital spending would increase by only 3.4 per cent this year, compared with 4.9 per cent estimated two months ago. Mr Johnson's departure

from the Fed comes after a term in which he won respect for his fight-inflation-first policy, which is supported by his chairman, Mr Alan Greenspan. Mr Johnson said yesterday: "The outlook for a soft landing, for the continuation of it, is very good. I'm very pleased with what the Fed is doing."

The present make-up of the seven-member board of gov-emors for the Fed is almost united in support of a policy of slow economic growth to cut inflation. The only exception is Ms Martha Seger, who has consistently voted in favour of interest-rate cuts at times when the economy shows

Recent indications from Mr Greenspan suggest there will be little change in Fed policy over the next few months. It seems likely the federal funds rate, the interbank overnight lending rate, will remain at about 8.25 per cent.

Bula Resources, the oil company, raised pre-tax profits from £211,000 to £501,000 for

West Germany growing at 4.4% By COLIN NAREROUGH, ECONOMICS CORRESPONDENT THE West German economy, three quarters of a million

Bula ahead

the year. Again there is no dividend.

Elders IXL programme deferred

SCMPH to the United Over-

seas Bank, which is to buy 9

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ELDERS DXL's capital return programme has been deferred until it establishes terms and conditions for new financing.

Mr Charles Faggotter, the company secretary, said in a statement, in response to a letter from the Australian Stock Exchange (ASE), that Elders' asset sales were progressing "broadly in line with expectations" in its strategy of becoming a singlepurpose brewing company.

Negotiations on new financing facilities were also progressing satisfactorily and a reassessment of the capital return programme would be made when they were set. The ASE's letter was not released. Elders said on May 11 it had

begun talks with the big banks to establish a global facility to refinance debt and a revised capital return programme would be announced when it was completed. When it announced its

plans to restructure into a single-purpose brewer in March, the company said that asset sales would bring a capital return to shareholders of 50 cents (23p) a share about now and another 50 cents in the next financial year, which starts next month. (Reuter)

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Fall in gold price hits SA mines

closure with the potential loss of thousands of jobs because of the falling world price of

Gold was fixed at \$353.80-\$354.40 in London yesterday afternoon, down from \$356.80-\$357.30 on Wednesday.

Concern over increased Soviet activity in the gold market because of that country's debt problems, and recent waves of bullion selling from the Middle East, have undermined sentiment in the

The fall in price has cut the profitability of gold mining operations worldwide. The problem has been compounded in South Africa by intense cost pressures because of domestic inflation and mounting wage demands by

black workers. The average gold price re-ceived in rand terms last year increased by less than I per cent, at a time when average unit working costs for the South African industry rose by nearly 10 per cent.

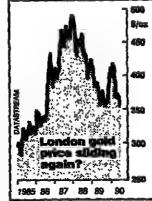
Analysis estimate that at current gold prices almost 224

A NUMBER of South African tonnes of the country's total gold mines are under threat of annual output of 608 tonnes are uneconomic, and that between 50 and 100 tonnes of production may have to be abandoned unless the gold

price rises. South African gold mines rarely die, because of the socio-political implications within an industry that employs thousands of workers of all races, and on which towns and cities which surround their operations depend. However, the South African government may take a tougher

On Wednesday, it announced a commission of inquiry into the continued viability of East Rand Proprietary Mines, of the Rand Mines group, which is again asking for government help to save its mine and the surrounding Boksburg town.

Other mines and mining houses will be watching the outcome of the inquiry with more than a passing interest. If ERPM is allowed to die, the funeral bells will start to toll for others with equally pressing cases to plead.



and the industry's labour opportunities, mines under cost pressures have previously been able to rely on government assistance to bail them

If the authorities were to allow the rand to fall and an ounce in Australia. therefore allow the gold mines to reap a higher income for their product, the counter effect would be a rise in the domestic rate of inflation. But that is an economic corner \$171 an ounce. into which they do not wish to be forced.

Rand Mines operation, is also out of international flavour Because of the sensitive facing a cost squeeze ERPM's while the political situation nature of gold to South Africa costs at the top end of the scale remains in flux.

ounce of gold after taking capital expenditure into account. Venterspost, another marginal mine, has a cost profile of \$445 an ounce.

Three gold mines, Randfontein, Western Areas and Harmony, also face high costs, but collectively account for 72 tonnes of annual production and are probably viewed as worth carrying for the time being, even though their costs, before capital expenditure, range between \$340 and \$389 an ounce.

A survey by Gold Fields Mineral Services, the London gold bullion research group. put average Western world mining costs at \$250 an ounce, and South African working costs at \$275 an ounce. This compares with \$206 an ounce for American mines and \$236

One of the lowest gold mining operations in South Africa is Gold Fields of South Africa's Driefontein mine, with average costs of about

London analysts add that South African gold mines Durban Deep, another share per se generally remain

Rise in cross-border EC deals

By OUR ECONOMICS CORRESPONDENT

jumped 39 per cent in the first quarter of this year from the final quarter of 1989, according to Acquisitions Monthly. There were 517, up from

373, but a dearth of big bids in Britain cut the total value from £10.2 billion to just under £8 billion.

Britain continued to be the prime target for takeovers, with 84 acquisitions worth £3.3 billion, down from £5.8 billion. This narrowed Britain's lead over the 11 other EC coming on to the market in on just 11 companies.

88 takeovers worth £1.87 billion, up from £1.57 billion in the previous quarter. Spain, in third place, recorded 59 takeovers, worth £1.13 billion, after spending only £151 milslightly down.

Mr Philip Healy, AM's editor, said that although Britain acquirer, buying 88 firms for might be much more open for £1.17 billion, slightly up on bids, the more robust economies of France and Spain now drew many buyers. Large and

THE number of cross-border countries. France, the second considerable numbers in most continental countries.

The Swedes were the biggest spenders on EC companies in the first quarter, acquiring 53 for a total of £2.18 billion, lion in the previous quarter. France was the second largest

Despite the difficulties facing some of its leading en-

Second | SA group to take control of Bennett & Fountain

By PHILIP PANGALOS

Group, the USM electrical cent of the enlarged capital, retailer and wholesaler which depending on the extent to has been holding talks with "a which Bennett's net assets are third party" interested in less than £20 million at at the subscribing for new shares, has entered into a subscription

Bennett made a pre-tax loss agreement with Voltex Holdof £7.9 million in the year to

Voltex, which is listed on slowdown in consumer spendthe Johannesburg Stock Ex-change, is a wholesale distribing, although it reported a profit of £571,000 for the six utor of cable, electrical and months to end-December. ancillary products as well as Bennett's retail division has manufacturing low-voltage seen significant restructuring in the last nine months. The company has disposed of its PVC cable. It has conditionally agreed to subscribe £20 million for

46.5 million new ordinary shares at 43p, representing about 52.3 per cent of Ben-100 retail outlets, with about 56 remaining open. nett's enlarged ordinary capfurther restructuring of the In addition, Voltex will be retail division is still

entitled to further ordinary shares, up to a maximum of

THE Bennett & Fountain increase its holding to 60 per have taken down the debt and stock levels enormously and we have reduced overheads significantly. He added that resources had

been concentrated on the wholesale division, "which is successful." The company said that July 1, 1989, affected by the

conditions remain difficult, but the injection of funds by Voltex, which will be applied mainly in reducing borrowings, should "considerably enhance the group's prospects." Voltex's subscription will

strengthen Bennett's balance sheet and will also provide advantageous purchasing terms as well as access to personnel, resources and

Bennett's shares, which stood at the 30p level at the beginning of last month, eased by 2p to 43p yesterday on the outstanding.
Mr Stephen Coleman, the finance director, said: "We

Thomas French profits dive from £1.06 million to ing although overseas busi-

rental arm to Thorn EMI and

has seen the closure of about

It is understood that some

By OUR CITY STAFF

A COMBINATION of lower demand for consumer prod-ucts in Britain, higher interest costs and development expenditure in newly-acquired businesses took their toll on profits at Thomas French, the curtain styling and home improvement products group.

Pre-tax profits were halved demand and trade de-stock-

£507,000 in the six months to nesses did well and exports March, on sales down from were at a record level. "As £11.2 million to £9.32 million. there is little sign of any im-Earnings per share fell from 5.72p to 2.77p, but the interim dividend stays at 1.45p.

Mr Jeremy French, chair-man, said that sales of consumer products in Britain fell by 16 per cent, due to lower

provement in demand or reduction in interest rates, we do not except an improvement in the second half," he said. Interest payments stood at

£172,000, against receipts of £22,000 last time. The shares fell op to 60p.

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Hove, East Sussex

3. Where the applicant is a Company, the full names of the current Directors and the Company's registered number:

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5. Desired date from which the licence is to take effect: 30th June 1990

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As laid down in the Public Electricity Supply Licence granted to SEEBOARD plc by the Secretary of State on 26th March 1990.

10. Details of any licences held, applied for or being applied for by the applicant in respect of the generation, transmission or supply of electricity:

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final-quarter 1989. medium-sized companies, us- trepreneurs, Australia ually privately-owned, were third, spending £1.06 billion

Western fund seeks East breakthrough

By Wolfgang Münchau European Business CORRESPONDENT

THE Austro-Hungary Fund, launched by Merrill Lynch, has become the first Western company to seek a listing on an Eastern European ex-change. The fund, a \$50 million investment company, will seek a quote on the Budapest market.

The news comes in the same week as Ibusz, the Hungary travel company, became the first Eastern bloc firm to declare its intention to list in

Officially the Merrill Lynch fund is designed to split its investments equally between Austria and Hungary, al-though in practice it will be increasingly difficult to differentiate between the two markets since Austria accounts for about a third of foreign investment in

Budapest already operates an embryonic stock exchange, which will receive a boost later this month after its official launch. Ibusz will be the first new entrant, but the Hungarian State Property Agency (SPA) has promised a massive programme of privatizations. This year the SPA plans to privatize 60 companies, yielding \$600 million. Next year there will be an additional 100, worth between \$1.3 bil- also prefers Hungary from an



Antall: promises

lion and \$1.9 billion, Eventually about 85 per cent of state-owned assets should go into private hands. It is principally these privatization stocks that the Austro-Hun-

The new fund is further evidence that Hungary is turn-ing into the West's favourite East European country. The pro-Hungarian sentiment has been echoed by M Michel Camdessus, chairman of the International Monetary Fund, who has consistently applauded the bold privatization measures promised by the new government of Mr Joszef Antall, Hungary's prime

Mr Peter Kysel, managing director of Lloyds Investment Management International, who will be managing the fund, and himself a Czech,

Mr Kysel regards privatizations as the single most effective means of restoring the Eastern European economies as they provide a fast route to a free market as well as generating the necessary funds over a sufficient period of time to help Eastern European gov-

ernments repay their debts. In the short run, Hungary's industry is expected to benefit from a comparative wage cost advantage as average wages amount to only 10 per cent of those of Austria or West Germany and only 30 per cent of East Germany. Over time -Lloyds Investment thinks five years - these differentials will stocks that the Austro-Hunnarrow substantially. Until gary Fund intends to invest in. then, however, the rates of return should be much above the EC average.

The fund is geared towards

European institutional inves-

tors and so-called high net worth individuals. Merrill Lynch admitted that high rates of return go with a higher degree of risk. In Hungary's case, the risk is perhaps smaller than elsewhere in Eastern Europe as the new government has a five-year mandate, longer than other Eastern European governments. Such time will be necessary to embark on the boldest reforms, even though they may turn out to be unpopular at

Revenue fall at LBC blamed for downturn

Crown slips below £3m

By MELINDA WITTSTOCK A SLUMP in advertising revenue at LBC, the London radio station, has been blamed for a fall in interim profits at Crown Communications, its

LBC, which has lost advertising revenue to its rival Capital Radio since 1987, when it was boasting 20 per cent sales growth, has reported a 1 per cent fall in revenue for

the six months to end-March. Mr Christopher Chataway, Crown's chairman, said: "The slowdown in advertising rev-enue came at a difficult time for LBC - before its two new split-frequency services were established and while it was still operating in inefficient premises with a high-cost structure

Crown's interim pre-tax profits are down from £3.79 million to £2.95 million, while earnings per share slipped from 10.2p to 7.1p. The interim dividend is unchanged at 1.5p.

The figures were also hit by a £4 million exceptional charge relating to the cost of launching LBC's split frequency. This was softened by a £5 million exceptional gain on acquisitions and disposals of stakes in other radio companies. Mr Chataway said Crown Television, a new division that has won a five-year contract to supply British Satellite Broadcasting with a redundancies. Mr Chataway 35-bulletin daily news service, said: "The benefit won't really advertising market.



Chataway: benefits of cost-cutting moves not yet felt

made a strong profits be felt until the next financial contribution. year, when we expect costs to Crown said the interim results have not benefited from recent cost-cutting measures, which involved 70

be reduced by £2 million." He added that it was too early to make any forecasts about the second half of the year given volatility in the **HK Telecom rises** 20% to £332m on. higher turnover

From Lulu Yu in hong kong

munications, Cable and Wireless's 59 per cent-owned offshoot in the colony, posted net profits up 20 per cent to HK\$4.36 billion (£332 million) for the year to end-March, in line with market expectations.

The group, which is Hong Kong's largest quoted firm, accounting for about 10 per cent of the stock market capitalization, saw turnover rise by 19 per cent to HK\$14.13 billion on strong growth in international phone and data services.

Overseas telephone services produced revenues of HK\$7.97 billion, 23 per cent higher than a year ago and made up 56 per cent of total turnover. Another area of rapid growth was in the provision of computer and engineering services, which saw revenues jump 40 per cent to HK\$611 million.

Operating profit rose 18 per cent to HK\$4.41 billion while earnings per share jumped 20 per cent to 39.1 cents. A final dividend of 15 cents a share makes the total for the year 24 per cent higher at 28 cents.

Mr Mike Gale, the chief executive, said the company was planning to invest some HK\$3 billion in the telephone system this year. "Capital

HONG KONG Telecom- expenditure totalling some HK\$8.4 billion is planned over the next three years," he said. "These investments will ensure not only the continued profitable growth of the group, but also that Hong Kong will continue to have one of the best telecommunications sys-

tems in the world." More than 154,000 new telphone lines were installed last year, making 2.3 million for the 5.6 million men, women and children in the colony. Half the lines have international direct dialling, and there are now 88,550 fax lines, 35 per cent more than a YEST GEO.

He said he was confident about the long-term future of Hong Kong despite events which led to the suppression of the pro-democracy protests in China last year.

Cable and Wireless recently completed the sale of a 20 per cent stake to the Pekingcontrolled China International Trust and Investment Corporation, but is still the largest shareholder of Hong Kong Telecom.

Analysts at Baring Securities say profits for the year ending March 1991 should be 19 per cent higher, with growth running at between 15 per cent and 20 per cent until the end of the decade.

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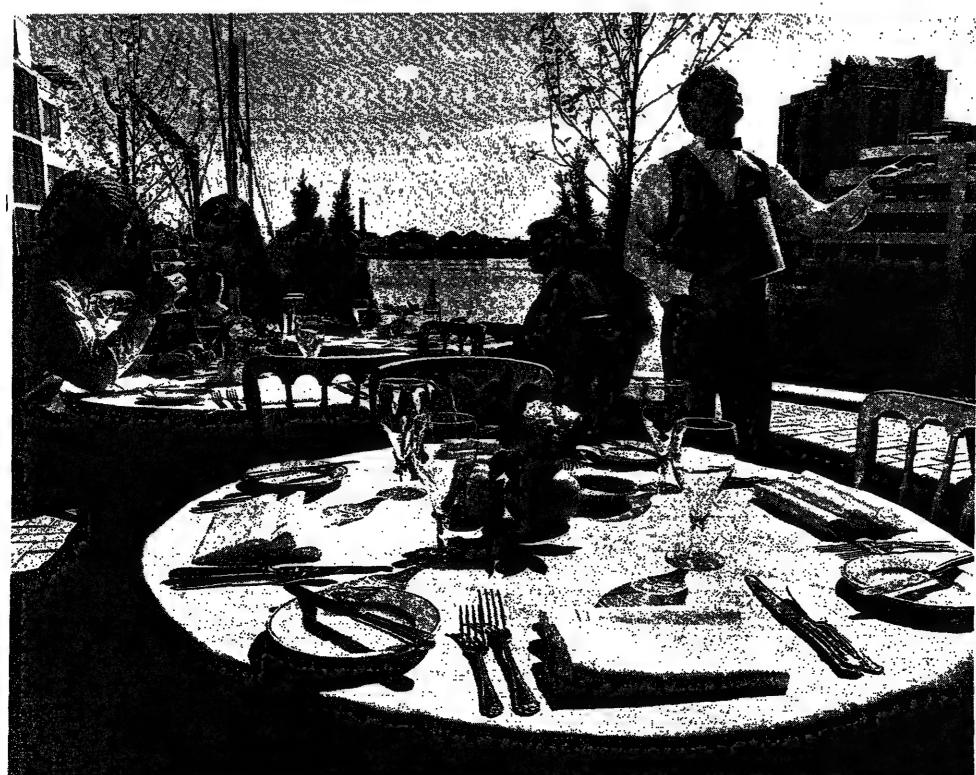
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Dangers of rescue operation after failure of US thrifts

oration, has taken a gamble on the \$20 billion in commercial real estate that he must sell. .

As chairman of the organization established last year to wind up failed savings and loans institutions, or thrifts, he has cut the appraised market value of this real estate by 15 per cent in the hope of attracting buyers.

However, assuming sales go through at 25 per cent below the value at which the property was valued when taken on by the government, they will further dampen a property market teetering on recession, endanger already weak money-centre bank loan books and, in the process, may help to create a credit crunch that could force a slowing US economy into recession.

Against this, the RTC must offload its assets as soon as possible because it must borrow the bulk of the funds it uses to repay depositors in the failed thrifts, and each month's delay adds \$2 billion to a bail-out programme already estimated at \$500 billion over 30 years.

The balancing act undertaken by Mr Seidman under- RTC property is worth just 75 lines the financial disaster that the US government has created by its mismanagement of government control. the thrift industry, through misguided reliance on deregultion at all costs amid sometimes blatant corruption.

The industry is not totally bankrupt, with two-thirds of the 2,898 institutions in relatively good shape.

The RTC has foreclosed 423 institutions with assets totalling \$220 billion and disposed of 93 this year. However, another 570 thrifts are classified as close to death, with some large institutions included in this figure.

Mr Donald Regan, the former Treasury Secretary, said when signing a deregulation Act for the industry in 1982: "I think we've hit the jackpot." ited the property and bonds

r Bill Seidman, That comment encapsulates the retiring head the immensity of the mistakes of the US Resolumade in Washington, magnified by individuals who went wild with their new freedom. In an interview with The Times, Mr Seidman acknowl-

edged the risk he is taking, saying: "The real estate market will be subject to the sale of more property on the market at one time than in any other time in our history." However, he was confident that it could be done without calamity in the economy. Commercial real estate va-

cancy levels are now estimated at an average of 20 per cent. Banks have lent at record levels in the worst affected regions, New England, Texas, Florida and California, and are expected to cut back, threatening a credit crunch and a further fall in prices.

By cutting the value of its property in these regions by 15 ner cent, the RTC has opened the way for its entire property portfolio to be sold at 25 per cent below the past value. This because, by law, Mr Seidman cannot sell at 5 per cent below appraised market value in distressed areas, so if you take 15 per cent below the 95 per cent level and then add in the 5 per cent allowance, the per cent of the stated value when failed thrifts came under

The RTC was supposed to last for seven years," Mr Seidman said. "If we get rid of this land by then, it would be a major accomplishment."

The RTC is involving private real estate agents in the regions affected, and has produced computer discs listing its 36,000 properties for sale. An even harder task is selling the junk bond portfolio of \$3.5 billion that the RTC controls, courtesy of failed thrifts. Mr Seidman said that it involved 3,000 issues, only

junk bond market. The US government inher-



Hard task: Seidman, clearing up the thrifts fiasco

such

because it guarantees bank and thrift deposits to protect individual investors. It must pay the difference between assets and liabilities of institutions that failed, which at the count totalled \$155

he problem will, at the very least, soak up all the money that the government hoped to save through defence cuts, and, at worst, could push the US economy into recession at a time when, with an exploding federal deficit, the US can st afford it.

Mr Seidman said: "The 30 of which have any market thrift industry had a basic value in the relatively illiquid weakness, it borrowed short term and lent long. This was OK when you could control

interest rates, but in the late 1970s inflation increased at

"The government's solution was to allow the thrifts to so into other businesses and paper over the worsening position by a bunch of accounting rules which didn't represent the true picture.

a rate this was

"With the new rules, twothirds of the industry lived like they used to and one-third went for high risk."

The most notable example of the latter was Lincoln Savings and Loan, run by Mr Charles Keating, who contributed heavily to the political campaigns of some senior politicians, apparently to help to prevent any regulatory crack-

years, Lincoln grew from assets of \$1 billion to \$4 billion. Mr Seidman says it now has a shortfall of \$2 billion.

Mr Seidman said: "With no controls, the thrift industry had to charge high rates to attract funds (some as high as 13 per cent) and this meant it had to take further risks to make money which explained why they went for junk bonds and real estate in markets where prices had already risen too quickly.'

oth sides of politics had blocked preventive action that could have kept bail-out costs to about a twentieth of

the present estimate. The Democrats said the thrift industry was the bastion of home loans to little America and should be helped, and the Republicans believed government should not interfere with business," Mr Seidman

"Both sides failed to see if vou have deposit insurance you also need standards on how the money is used."

The US Treasury is working on an overhaul of this deposit system which presently guarantees \$945 billion in thrift deposits and \$2,500 billion in bank deposits.

Mr Seidman believes a radical overhaul and perhaps abolition is long overdue.

He blames the thrift industry for fuelling over-capacity in US real estate and for the rapid expansion of the junk bond market.

While noting the dangers his actions may have on the US banking sector, Mr Seidman said: "Clearly our real estate sales could burt the market but it is hard to predict by how much because we don't know how quickly we can sell the land."

But he noted: "Ultimately it is the role of the Federal Reserve to keep the banking industry alive by the way it sets monetary policy."

John Durie

BUSINESS LETTERS

by institutional blocks voted

by managers and not by the

ultimate owners of these

shares. What is needed,

though, is the correction of

these flaws - perhaps some

NEDs should be elected on a

one-shareholder/one-vote

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important restraint upon the

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it is the Docklands area. The

benefit to be derived from

locating the new bank within

the Docklands area both to

large and small businesses

alike and to the general thrust

of reawakening the Docklands

would be a much needed fillip

Clearly the Square Mile and

Docklands each have benefits

to offer. It has to be critical to

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but also of the country that no

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Yours faithfully,

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Yours faithfully

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Stockport

'Imperfect' election of NEDs

From Mr Noel Falconer Sir, I must dispute Mr Mottram's comment (Business letter, May 30) that nonexecutive directors are "an unnecessary encumbrance". The wrong people are elected, by imperfect methods, but their role is real and their

remuneration irrelevant. Shareholders have the right and duty to guide the companies they own. How else can they honour this than by appointing NEDs of like

True, this is rarely possible. The mechanics of nominating a director make it difficult for an alternative to the board's

Docklands site for new bank a fillip From P. Glyn-Jones

Sir, Sir Hugh Bidwell, Lord Mayor of London, was reported earlier this week as having expressed "anger" over the possibility of the European Bank Reconstruction and Development being located in Docklands, rather than within the Square Mile.

With all due respect to Sir Hugh I would see his concerns (as reported) as being

misolaced. Surely London should be delighted that it has been selected by 42 nations as the natural location for this vital new institution in recognition of the continuing standing of London as the financial cap-

ital of the world. It had always been the hope of those concerned with the redevelopment of Docklands that it would become part of this financial capital, not a

competitor to it. The space available in Docklands has enabled development to take place according to designs which suit current and anticipated banking practice without the constraints of the antique street pattern which inhibits the free development of buildings within the Square Mile.

Current means of communication enable banking and general business practice to be sent by fax on 071-782 5112.

Bureaucratic delusions candidate to stand, and then he is defeated by proxies, and

From Mr R. N. G. Blower

Sir, I find it most informative that those who are keenest on an independent central bank, either in the UK or in Europe, are those who have power but no responsibility - the bureaucrats both here and in

It is always tempting as a

bureaucrat to imagine how perfect the world would be without outside interference. But we must not let ourselves be deluded by their logic. Things do not go better if elected representatives are kept out of the truly important aspects of government like fighting inflation. Economic policy, in the absence of perfect information, inevitably involves judgement. Those who are best motivated to make such judgements are those who risk losing their jobs - and not just their performance bonuses - if they are wrong. The people in Eastern Europe have found this out the hard way. It is paradoxical against this back-ground that the argument for bureaucrat-run central banks has gained intellectual respectability in the EEC, whilst everywhere else it has been lost. Yours faithfully,

R. N. G. BLOWER 66 Galba Court. Augustus Close, Brentford Dock. Middlesex.

Pensions question

From Mr F. M. F. Walker Sir, Of the thousand economists polled by Messra Ricketts and Shoesmith, 640 do not see inflation as the major threat.

Could we please be told how many of those have inflationproof pensions? Yours faithfully. FM FWALKER 7 Cassiobury Park Avenue, Warford Hertfordshire,

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WORLD MARKETS

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Section 1999

Three days ago, a 3 per cent reduction in the net asset value at Great Portland Estates was enough to stop a rising market in its tracks. But yesterday, London shrugged off the news of a 7 per cent fall in NAV at British Land and

powered ahead. Dealers returned from their Derby day diversions and took the view that London had fallen too far behind Wall Street on Wednesday. Encouraged by a stronger performance overnight in Tokyo, the FT-SE 100 index June futures position opened at a big premium, to push under-

lying share prices ahead again. Once the futures market had reversed an early fall, buyers were keen not be left out of yet another upward long-dated issues. surge. By early afternoon, the FT-SE 100 had put on more than 30 points as dealers anticipated a strong opening by Wall Street. In the event, however, Wall Street's initial gains proved modest and short-lived, knocking some of 334p. the gloss off London's perfor-

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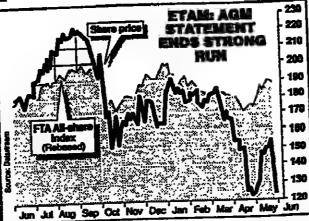
1,904.0. After a dullish start, gilts joined the party in the afternoon, responding to com-ments made by Mr John Major, the Chancellor, in the House of Commons that it would be the underlying rate of inflation that would be critical in the timing of Brit-ain's membership of the Euroexchange rate pean

mechanism. Stripping out poll tax and mortgages, Britain's under-lying inflation rate is 6.75 per cent, not that far above European rates of about 5.25 per cent. The only problem is that Britain's underlying rate, like the retail price index, is still

Still, helped by a strong pound, the story was enough to put about a quarter of a point on most medium and

Among property shares, British Land tumbled 15p on the news of the fall in both assets and profits. However,

Speculators had been hoping that British Land's chair-The FT-SE 100 index closed man, Mr John Ritblat, would announce a new restructuring over more than 590 million package to replace the one opposed by shareholders at cally high level for a day that the end of last year. But while casualties. The FT 30 index at ways of maximizing returns at Smith New Court said he



likely for some time.

fited from renewed hopes that next six months."

for shareholders, he stressed was taking advantage of the that no announcement was sector's strength to sell stock. He said: "I am selling every-The other leading property thing. The property sector is investment companies bene-

all the bad news was now in share prices. Great Portland property news that was igadded op to 249p, Greycoat nored by the market. The day

Abbey National rose 5p to 209p as the big four clearing banks all lost ground. Mr John Wriglesworth, an analyst at UBS Phillips & Drew and a long-standing Abbey bull, is now more cautions. He has cut his interim forecast from £300 million to back in line with the rest of the market BL ended 1p better at squeezed margins. A time to take profits, he suggests.

rose 9p to 409p, Hammerson also saw receivers appointed at the Colorell home furnish-Securities was up 8p to 509p. Bucking the trend that has

existed since Land Securities' results last month, MEPC closed the gap with a 14p rise However, Mr David Jones

ings group and at A Goldberg the Glasgow retailer.

Coloroll, which at one point this year traded at 81p, was suspended at 6½p, while Goldberg was suspended at

37p.
There was more bad news

Properties and oils move up in Tokyo

interest rates, mortgage rates and the poll tax. Mr Howard speculative shopping and arsaid that in the current cli-mate, a loss now looked likely cash shares index, brokers at the interim stage, although he was confident that the group would still be profitable cent, at 33,192.50 after advancing by 31.88 on Wednesday. Oil, property and

downgrading forecasts to between £5 million and £10 futures and options contracts. Mr Jeff Bahrenburg, a marmillion. Etam, a strong market over the last month, relapsed ket strategist at Shearson Lehdon't think the current rally is

The Etam gloom dragged down Burton, whose high street subsidiaries trade along-For further gains, bond side Etam stores. Burton slid 10p to 164p. Next was un-Boots eased 2p to 296p despite better than expected

pre-tax profits of £358 million. Dealers were worried about the performance of Boots's £900 million acquisition, Ward White. Lloyds Chemists rose 6p to 179p.

The big retailers defied the gloom, Kingfisher adding 9p to 342p and Marks and Spencer improving 344

Matthew Bond

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Last year, Etam made pre-tax profits of £17.5 million. As a result of Mr Howard's as investors' fears about the statement analysts were market's volatility receded on yesterday's expiry of June

likely to be sustained."

yields would have to drop or corporate forecasts improve, neither of which are likely, he added. The benchmark Nikkei index opened steady but soon rose by more than 200 points on speculative buying and talk of takeover bids.

The index was off its highs by midday, but arbitrageurs buying the cash index in the afternoon helped it to close nearer the day's high of more than 200 points above Wednesday's close of 32,953.50.

In the absence of fresh themes or new market factors, speculative buying was the only strong force in the generally directionless market. Mr Masahiko Tsuyuzaki the chief trader at Tachibana Securities, said: "It was a

trader-to-trader market. Only professionals." Volume was moderate at 650 million shares, against 600 million on Wednesday. Nippon Fire & Marine Insurance surged to a 1990 high

in the morning on talk that a big speculator is targeting it for a takeover. Nippon Fire surged Y90 to

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Opening rise for Dow closed sharply weaker, the

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THE Dow Jones industrial gold sector plunging to its lowest level in more than four level in more level in more than four level in more t years. The All-Ordinaries index tumbled 17.7 to 1,509.2, coming the profit-taking that weighed on stocks in the past

• Singapore - Share prices closed generally higher but off earlier highs on profit-taking in fairly moderate trading. brokers said. The Straits Times industrial index rose on monetary policy, helping 2.17 points to close at (Reuter) 1,553.10.

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Improved profit from operations Increased dividend

RW Rowland, Chief Executive

Dear Slavelable.

It is with pleasure that Lonrho presents the half year figures for 1990.

Profit before tax from operations has increased by 34% compared to 1989, (excluding the sale of the bulk whisky stocks). Earnings per share increased by 20% on a comparable basis.

The second interim dividend has been increased by an effective 10% as a dividend of 5.0 pence per share has been declared on an increased share capital following the 1 for 10 capitalisation issue in April 1990. The Group's mineral extraction and refining activities made a significant contribution to the increase in profits through sales of platinum group metals and gold. Hondo Oil & Gas also enjoyed

In the United Kingdom higher profits were made by the Group's hotels and Scottish newspaper interests, although the manufacturing and motor companies have been affected by the downturn

in the United Kingdom economy. In Europe, both Kühne & Nagel and Krupp Lonrho continue to move ahead. Lonrho is looking at a number of proposals to expand its activities in Europe and the Group is already one of the largest British investors in the Federal Republic of Germany.

The Group's companies in Africa traded very well in the first half of the year, with a particularly good performance from the Sugar activities.

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HALF YEAR RESULTS

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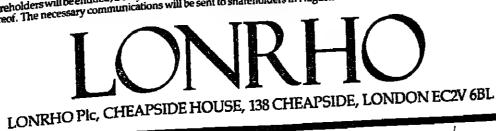
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The Board has declared a second interim dividend of 5.00p (1989—5.00p) per share, based on the increased share capital following the 1 for 10 capitalisation issue in April 1990, for payment on 1 October 1990 to shareholders on the Register at following the 1 for 10 capitalisation issue in April 1990, for payment on 1 October 1990 to shareholders on the Register at following the 1 for 10 capitalisation issue in April 1990, for payment on 1 October 1990 to shareholders on the Register at 1990. This dividend is in addition to the first interim dividend of 3.00p (1989—3.00p) per share declared on 3.00p (1989—3.00p) and paid on 6 April 1990. The cost of the first and second interim dividends are capital. 3 August 1990. Trus cuvidence is in addition to the first and second interim dividends amounts to £48 million 25 January 1990 and paid on 6 April 1990. The cost of the first and second interim dividends amounts to £48 million

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Minister's decision not protected by statute

Hampson v Department of Edu-cation and Science Before Lord Bridge of Harwich, Lord Griffiths, Lord Ackner and Lord Lowry

A refusal by the Secretary of State for Education under paragraph 1(1)(b) of Schedule 5 to the Education (Teachers) Regulations (SI 1982 No 106) to grant qualified teacher status to a Hong Kong trained teacher on the ground that her qualification was not comparable with speci-fied United Kingdom qualifications, if found to be indirect discrimination under section 1(1)(b) of the Race Relations Act 1976, could not be rendered lawful by section 41(1)(b) of the Act on the ground that the decision had been taken in pursuance of a statutory instrument, since the decision involved the application of

The House of Lords so held in allowing an appeal by Mrs Teresa Lee Ping Li Hampson from the Court of Appeal (Lord Justice Parker and Lord Justice Nourse, Lord Justice Balcombe dissenting) (The Times December 15, 1988; [1989] ICR 179) which had upheld the dismissal by the Employment Appeal Tribunal ([1988] ICR 278) of her appeal against a finding by an industrial tribunal that she had not been unlawfully discriminated against by the Department of Education and Science on the ground of her race. The case was remitted to an industrial tribunal.

Mr Stephen Sedley, QC and Mr Robin Allen for Mrs Hampson; Mr John Laws and Mr Timothy Hewitt for the

LORD LOWRY said that Mrs Hampson, a Hong Kong Chinese woman teacher, had alleged that the department had discriminated against her within the meaning of sections 1(1)(b) and 12(1)(b) of the 1976 Act

Before Mr Justice Wood, Mr G.

A recommendation that expul-

sion from a trade union should be effected in the future could

amount to a "determination" to

expel an individual within the

meaning of section 3(5)(a) of the Employment Act 1988 provided

to whether the expulsion would

The Employment Appeal Tri-bunal so held when allowing an

appeal from a decision of a London industrial tribunal last

November that, on agreed facts,

they had jurnsdiction to unhold

Mr Peter Webber, that unjustifi-

able disciplinary action had

been taken against him by the

union within the meaning of

provides: "(1) An individual

who is or has at any time been a member of a trade union shall

have the right not to be un-justifiably disciplined by that

section an individual is disciplined by a trade union if a

determination is made, or purportedly made, under the

rules of the union or is made by an official of the union or by a

number of persons including such an official (a) that that

individual should be expelled

from the union or from any

branch or section of the union

... (f) that that individual should be subjected to any other

Mr Patrick Elias, QC, for the

MR JUSTICE WOOD said

that the relevant sections of the

Employment Act 1988 came

into force on July 26, 1988. The

applicant was a member of a branch of the T & G W U.

Following a dispute in July 1977 the branch wrote to the

applicant purporting to suspend him and informing him that a recommendation would be

made to the regional committee for his expulsion from the

A recommendation to that

effect was subsequently made to the union's executive council. On July 27 that recommenda-

tion was upheld by the regional

committee. In May 1989 the applicant had been refused per-

union; Mr J. Kellett, adviser, for

"(5) For the purposes of this

section 3(1) of the 1988 Act.

int by the applicant,

A. Peers and Ms D. Warwick

[Judgment June 7]

in fact take place.

qualifying her to be employed ere as a teacher.

The question was whether the discrimination complained of, assuming that it had occurred. would be saved from being unlawful discrimination by sec-tion 41(1)(b) of the Act. If "yes" the claim must in any event be dismissed; if "no", the case must be remitted to the industrial tribunal for further

Section 41(1) provided: "Nothing in Parts II to IV [of the Act] shall render unlawful any act of discrimination done (a) in pursuance of any enactment or Order in Council; or (b) in pursuance of any instrument made under any enactment by a minister , . , or (c) in order to comply with any condition or requirement im-

posed by a minister ... by virtue of any enactment." Mrs Hampson had taken a full-time two-year initial teacher training course in Hong Kong. She thereby became qualified to Safe thereby became dualined to teach in Hong Kong and did so for eight years. She had then taken a further one-year teacher training course in Hong Kong.

After teaching for another year, she was from 1980 to 1984 an inspector for the Education Department in Hong Kong. In 1984 she came to this country and applied to the department to be recognized as qualified to teach in state schools in England

In order to be thus recognized. she needed notification from the secretary of state that she was a qualified teacher in accordance with regulation 13 of and Schedule 5 to the 1982 Regulations. Schedule 5 provided: "1(1) A person shall be qualified to be employed as a teacher ... for the purpose of regulation 13...
(2) [if he is one of the following] (a) a person who has successfully completed a course which (i) is for the degree of B

mendation could be im-

plemented he presented his originating application relying

on the determination to expel

him in May and July 1989. The industrial tribunal found

that the decision to expel him occurred in May 1989, after the commencement of the Act. But

there was some ambiguity in the way in which the tribunal expressed their decision on that issue and the union should be

permitted to call further

The main issue was whether the recommendation of July 27,

although not implemented, was

a "determination" within the meaning of section 3(5). The

ndustrial tribunal had found in

favour of the applicant on that

discipline was by way of declara-tion and compensation and it

seemed that in the case of

sible for a tribunal to assess

compensation until that expul-sion had in fact taken place

alternatively, that while the applicant remained a union

member he or she would not

have suffered any damage or

Further, it seemed unlikely

that Parliament intended o give

an applicant a right to issue an originating application, in re-

spect of an act which might

Approaching the destion of interpretation with tiose policy

decisions in mind before a

decision could constitute a

determination to expel within

the provisions of section 3(5)(a),

it must be one which achieved a

disposal of that issue, one which

A decision that an expulsion could be effected upon a condition a dar in the future would

not rende it any the less an effective extermination, but the

facts in the present case in-dicated that there remained an

uncertainty whether or not the applicant was to be expelled in

that the recommendation was still to go through the general executive council that it should be put into operation.

The appeal would be allowed

and the matter remitted to proceed upon the issue of the

refusal to allow the applicant to attend a branch meeting in May

1989. Leave to appeal would be

Solicitors: Pattinson &

not content a condition

The remedy for unjustifiable

Intended action of

trade union

is a determination

not approve a certain course of teacher training which she had completed in Hong Kong as parable academic award of, in each case, either a university in the United Kingdom or of the CNAA . . . (b) a person who -(i) has successfully completed a course (whether within or outside the United Kingdom) approved as comparable to a course within sub-paragraph

The secretary of state had informed Mrs Hampson that her application had been refused on the ground that the Hong Kong course was not comparable to a course within paragraph 2(a) as it was not a three-year course or of a suf-

ficiently high standard. Their Lordships were con-cerned with a short point of construction as to whether the words "in pursuance of any instrument" in section 4!(1)(b) referred only to acts done in necessary performance of an express obligation contained in the instrument, the narrow construction, or also to acts done in exercise of a power or discretion conferred by the instrument, the

Section 41 had introduced over a wide field, namely the subject matter covered by Parts II to IV of the 1976 ACL as exceptions to the Act's general purpose of outlawing discrimination, five cases in which an act of discrimination should not be unlawful.

In view of the wide sweep of those provisions the exceptions ought therefore to be narrowly rather than widely construed where the language was susceptible of more than one meani A dictionary was not by itself the most reliable guide to statetory interpretation, but it ser/ed to remind one of the community accepted meaning of "pursu-ance" as "pursuit", the action of following out a process or the cordance with a plan, direction

Before Mr Junce Millett

A joint vanure agreement be-

tween J. Sainsbury pic and a Belgian company to set up Homebase stores did not de-prive Sainsbury's of entitlement to group skief under section 258

of the Income and Corporation Taxes Ast 1970 for trading losses

subsequently incurred by

Notvithstanding the terms of the agreement and an option agreement giving the Belgian company a right to acquire additional shares in the future,

Sainbury's had at all material time the requisite beneficial

ownership of 75 per cent of the

Homebase share capital so as to qualify for the relief.

Mr Justice Millett so held in

ne Chancery Division in allow-

he an appeal by the taxpayer company, Sainsbury's, from a determination of a single special commissioner that had uphed a

for the relief for accounting periods from 1981 to 1985

mounting to some £25 million.

By an agreement in 1979, Sainsbury's and a Belgian com-pany, GB-INNO-BM SA, were

to set up and manage Homebase

stores as a joint venture. Thereunder 75 per cent of the ordinary share capital of Homebase Ltd was held by the

taxpayer company and the remaining 25 per cent by GB.

An option screement of the same date gave GB the option to

purchase, and the taxpayer com-pany an option to require GB to

purchase, a further 5 per cent of

the issued share capital of Homebase after five years.

to be the paid-up value of the

shareholding increased by an-nual interest and decreased by

any dividend paid on them.

Neither option was ever ex-ercised and the option agree-

ment was abandoned in 1985.

for trading losses.

Section 258 of the 1970 Act

ade provision for group relief

Sections 28 and 29 of the

Finance Act 1973 introduced

anti-avoidance provisions

qualifying entitlement to the relief. By section 28(2) a parent

company to qualify for relief had to be "beneficially entitled

to not less that 75 per cent . . . of any profits available for dis-tribution to equity holders of the

subsidiary company; and ...

than 75 per cent ... of any assets of the subsidiary com-

The price payable by GB was

[Judgment Jule 6]

that, if the discriminatory ad was specified in an enactment, Order or instrument, but not otherwise, it was done in pursuance of that enactment, Order or instrument and protected by section 41.

It was, however, the consideration of the wider context that demonstrated the need to adopt the narrow construction, since the wide construction was seen to be irreconcilable with the purpose and meaning of the Act. The acts not only of the Crown but of local authorities and a large number of statutory bodies, including the governing bodies of some (but not all) universities would achieve virtual immunity ander the wide

COMMUNICATION. The approval of a course as comparable to a course within sub-paragraph (a)" involved the application of a requirement (whether established or ad hoc) which was based on admin-istrative practice and discretion and was not a requirement laid down by the regulations.

Therefore, the requirement of a cours! consisting of three consecutive years' training assuming that it was discriminatory and also not justifiable under section I(1)(b)(ii) of the Act, was not protected by section41(1)(b).

There was a sound argument.

based on public policy, for dawing the line in that way. To edopt the narrow construction would mean that racial discrimination was outlawed (or under section 1(1)(b)(ii)) unless it had been sanctioned by If the wide construction were

area of discrimination would exist, immune from challenge save, in very exceptional circumstances, through the medium of judicial review. The majority in the Court of Appeal had rejected the wide

construction but did not come

Taxpayer company in joint

venture retains group relief

J. Sainsbury pt v O'Counor pany available for distribution up before the exercise of the (Inspector of Taxes) to its equity holders on a option the taxpayer company winding-up".

Mr Peter Whiteman, QC and Mr Brian Green for Sainsbury's; Mr Andrew Park, QC and Mr Alan Moses, QC for the Crown.

MR JUSTICE MILLETT

said that the question was whether at any material time Homebase qualified as a 75 per

cent subsidiary of the taxpayer

Two questions of law had

en correct to hold that, not-

1 Had the special commissioner

withstanding the option agree-

ment and the restrictions smached to its shareholding by

the principal agreement, the

taxpayer company was the "beneficial owner" of the whole

of its 75 per cent shareholding as

2 Whether the commissioner

was correct in holding that the

option agreement was an "arrangement" of such a nature

that paragraph 5 of Schedule 12 to the 1973 Act had the effect of

causing the taxpayer company to fail to satisfy the additional requirement for the relief im-

posed by section 28(2) of that

The leading authority on the meaning of "beneficial owner-ship" was Wood Preservation

Ltd v Prior ([1969] 1 WLR

1077). Relying on that decision the Crown's case stood or fell by

the presence of the option

What was the effect on the

taxpayer company's beneficial

ownership of the Homebase shares of GB's call option?

An option was not a con-

cable offer which was open to

acceptance by the exercise of the

option. In the meantime, the grantor was under a contractual

obligation not to put it out of his power to do what he had offered

Subject thereto be retained.

not only equitable ownership, but also all the right of beneficial

enjoyment normally attaching to equitable ownership.

The taxpayer company had irrevocably offered to sell 5 per cent of the Homebase sharm to

GB. But, unlike the taxpayer in

the Wood Preservation case, it

Had Homebase been wound

equired by section 258 of the

сопправну.

1970 Act.

Section 28 of the 1973 Act was

supplemented by the provisions Moreover, the taxpayer com-of paragraph 5 of Schedule 12 to pany was entitled to include the

correct, a wide and undefined

construction or, indeed, of any specific alternative interpreta-

They appeared, however, to have held that the secretary of state had acted, as no doubt he did. in oursuance of the regulations when he discharged the duty of considering and the further duty of deciding Mrs Hampson's application. There-fore, they had held, his allegedly discriminatory act was pro-

tected by section 41(1)(b). It was that reasoning that did not commend itself to Lord Justice Balcombe and that his Lordship found himself unable It disregarded the fact that in

order to decide the application one way or the other, the secretary of state had first to set up and apply a non-statutory criterion the setting up and application of which involved the exercise of his admin-istrative discretion and led to the discriminatory act complained of

The fallacy of that approach could be recognized when one reflected that almost every discretionary decision, such as that which was involved in the appointment, promotion and dismissals of individuals in, say, local government, the police, the National Health Service and the profession, was taken against a statutory background which imposed a duty on someone, just as the regulations imposed a duty on the secretary of state.

To apply the reasoning of the majority in the Court of Appeal the decisions mentioned would give them the protection achieve results which no member of the Court of Appeal would be likely to have thought

Lord Bridge, Lord Griffiths and Lord Ackner agreed. Solicitors: Hodge Jones & Allen, St Pancras; Treasury

net assets of Homebase, and trading profits if any, in its consolidated accounts subject only to deduction for the 25 per

cent (not 30 per cent) minority

uitable ownership of the 75 per cent shareholding carried with it

full rights of beneficial enjoy-ment of both capital and in-

Prior to 1973 it was a simple

matter to satisfy the require-ments of section 258 while at the

cent shareholding of its normal

That had not been acceptable

to Parliament: section 28(2) of

the 1973 Act imposed the two

additional requirements for

long as the option agreement

was in force, paragraph 5(1) of Schedule 12, read in the light of

the assumptions required to be made by paragraph 5(3), caused the taxpayer company not to satisfy the additional section

That was an unpromising

argument: the Homebase shan

carried no special rights. The taxpayer company's beneficial

entitlement to not less that 75

per cent of the profits available for distribution and the assets available on a winding up was

co-extensive with its beneficial ownership of the shares

Paragraph 5 had effect only to

Supplement the additional requirements of section 28(2) and not the original require-

The option agreement was not an "arrangement" of the kind described in paragraph 5(3) so that the assumption directed by that provision did not have to be made. The conclusion was

that the taxpayer company was

entitled to the relief throughout

ent was in force.

Burgin & Warrens, Solicitor of

Solicitors: Denton Half

ments under section 258.

28(2) requirements.

It was the Crown's case that so

of the option.

Schedule 12

for delivery in January 1985.

porated a clause referring disputes to arbitration in accordance with the Rules of Arbitration of the Federation of Oils, Seeds and Fats Association Ltd (the FOSFA Rules).

and tortuous litigation.

laid down various time limits within which, according to circumstances, a party wishing to institute arbitration proceed-

It was no longer in issue that claim was conclusively barred the relevant time limit was that in rule 2(b)(i)(3), which had that the section implementing in rule 2(b)(i)(3), which had expired on May 31, 1985.

come, defeasible by the exercise of the letters of credit. As the commissioner had pertinently observed: the effect of an option on the ownership of the subject matter was conamounts paid to Siporex under the performance bonds as exditional on its exercise. His decision on the first question

ceeded the damages, if any, sustained by reason of Comdel's breaches of contract.

Court's power to extend time for arbitration

Siporex Trade SA (No 2)
Before Lord Bridge of Harwich,
Lord Emslie, Lord Brandon of
Oakbrook, Lord Goff of
Chieveley and Lord Jauncey of
Tullichertle

[Speeches June 7]
The High Court had jurisdiction under section 27 of the Arbitration Act 1950 to extend time for the commencement of arbitration proceedings notwithstand-ing that the arbitrator might also have jurisdiction to do so under the terms of the arbitration

The House of Lords dis-The House of Lords dismissed an appeal by the defendants, Siponex Trade SA, from the Court of Appeal (Lord Justice Purchas, Lord Justice Nicholls and Lord Justice Staughton) (The Times April 3, 1989; [1989] 2 Lloyd's Rep 13), who had allowed an appeal by the plaintiffs, Comdel Commodities Ltd., from an order of Mr Justice Steyn made on March 16, 1988 ([1988] 2 Lloyd's Rep 590).

Lloyd's Rep 590). Section 27 provides: "Where the terms of an agreement to refer future disputes to arbitration provide that any claims . . . shall be harred unless . . . some ... step to commen proceedings is taken within a time fixed by the agreement ... the High Court, if it is of the opinion that in the circum-

ances of the case undue hardship would otherwise be caused ... may ... extend the time for such period as it thinks proper. Mr Nicholas Legh-Jones. QC and Mr Christopher Hancock for Siporex; Mr Richard Aikens, QC and Miss Catharine Otton-Goulder for Comdel

LORD BRIDGE said that by two contracts dated October 19, 1984, Siporex had agreed to sell and Comdel had agreed to buy consignments of tallow and cottonseed oil c & f Alexandria

Each contract had incor-

Comdel had duly procured the issue by Banque Indosuez of performance bonds for US\$1,887,200 but had failed to procure the issue of conforming letters of credit in due time. The ensuing disputes had led to long

Siporex had claimed and in due course recovered from the bank the amounts due under the performance bonds. In 1985, Comdel had instituted arbitration proceedings seeking unssfully, to establish that they had not been in breach of contract in relation to the issue

In May 1986, they had instituted fresh proceedings claiming restitution of so much of the

Rule 2 of the FOSFA Rules

any of the preceding provisions of this rule, claims deemed to be waived and absolutely barred unless the arbitrators, unpire or Board of Appeal . . . shall, at their absolute discretion, otherwise On Comdel's application for

on Connect's appreciation for an extension of time under that rule, the arbitrators had disagreed; the umpire and, in turn, the Board of Appeal (of FOSFA) and refused to exercise their discretion to allow the arbitration to record out of time. tion to proceed out of time.

Comdel bad then applied to

the High Court under section 27. Mr Justice Steyn had held that he had no jurisdiction under the section and had also said that, if he had had jurisdiction to the section and had also said that, if he had had jurisdiction tion, he would not have ex-ercised it in Comdel's favour. The Court of Appeal had reversed the judge on both points and granted the extension

of time sought by Comdel. There had been previous conflicting decisions at first instance on the question of iurisdiction.

If the language of section 27 was given its natural and ordinary meaning, it was apt to apply to the situations both here an arbitration agree imposed an absolute and im-mutable time bar and where it imposed a bar but gave the rbitrator a discretion to grant a dispensation from it.

A bar was not the less a bar because there was a possibility of having it removed. A time limit was not the less a time limit because a discretion was

The question was whether the language should be given effect according to its natural and ordinary meaning or whether there was something in the context or the discernible policy of the Act that dictated that it should be given a restricted or

qualified meaning.
Section 27 had re-enacted section 16(6) of the Arbitration Act 1934. The 1934 Act had followed on the Report of the Committee on the Law of Arbitration (1927) (Cmd 2817) under the chairmanship of Mr Justice MacKinnon.

It was common ground that in the years before the second world war it had been the arbitration agreements to im-pose short, fixed time limits for institution of proceedings and that the practice of introducing discretion for the arbitrator to extend the time limits into such agreements had begun in the years following the second world war.

A report such as the MacKinnon Report was invaluable as an aid to construction, but it was one thing to use it to resolve a real ambiguity in the statutory language and quite another to use it to cut down the meaning of the language that Parliament had used in implementing the report's recommendation when the ordinary meaning of that language was

an arbitration agreement who could obtain no relief when his

had to be construed as limited to Rule 2(d) provided: "In the event of non-compliance with providing a remedy for that

His Lordship could not accept that argument. When a chan in social conditions produced a novel situation, whi been in contemplation at the time when a statute had first been enacted, there could be no a priori assumption that the enactment did not apply to the new circumstances. If the language was wide enough to extend to those circumstances, there was no reason why it

should not apply.

In any event, Siporex's argument adopted too narrow a view of the mischief that could be identified as the target of section 6(6) of the 1934 Act.

That mischief had simply been the undue or unreasonable hardship suffered by a party to an arbitration agreement who was deprived of the opportunity to pursue a contractual claim by the operation of a restrictive contractual time limit in circumstances in which he ought reasonably to be excused for his

failure to comply with it.

Although such hardship was obviously more likely to arise when the arbitrator had no discretion to extend time, it might also result éven though he had such a discretion.

That might be either because the discretion was so narrowly expressed that it was ineffective to enable relief from undue hardship to be given or because circumstances of a particular. case, to exercise his discretion to:

In either of those situations, the intention expressed by the language of section 27 was that it was for the High Court to stances undue hardship would be caused if the claimant were that, if it was of that opinion, the court was to have discretion to

The section should be rend in its ordinary meaning as conferring jurisdiction on the High Court to extend time whenever an arbitration agreement imposed a time limit for the commencement of proceedings, whether or not discretion to extend time was conferred on

the arbitrator. His Lordship recognized that the practical consequence of that conclusion involved the somewhat cumbersome procedure of duplicating the remedies available to a claimant who sought relief from a time bar, but that could not affect the

construction of section 27. On discretion, the principles to be applied had been summarised by Lord Justice Brandon in Libra Shipping and Trading Corporation Lid v Northern Sales Lid (The Aspen Trader) ([1981] I Lloyd's Rep 273, 279). Neither the umpire nor the

Board of Appeal had given a reasoned decision for not extending time. In the absence of reasons, the fact that they had decided against Comdel was not Counsel for Siporex had a circumstance to which any identified by the report was the tached. His Lordship could find ings had to give notice of his hardship suffered by a party to no fault with the Court of claim to the other party with the an arbitration agreement who Appeal's exercise of discretion. Lord Emslie, Lord Brandon Lord Goff and Lord Jaunces agreed.

Solicitors: Clifford Chance;

Agreement on interest binding

Before Mr Justice Sheen [Judgment May 3]

An agreement as to interest on costs based on an erroneous view of the law was binding on the parties. Mr Justice Sheen so held in the Queen's Bench Division, in

a reserved judgment given in open court after a hearing in chambers, in dismissing an anpeal by the plaintiff, Dr Sidney Gee, against the decision of Mr Registrar Morris who, on a review of taxation of costs, had on March 19, 1990 dismissed the plaintiff's application for interest on costs to be recalculated from the date on which judgment was pro-nounced, rather than from the date of the certification of

Miss Catharine Otton-MR JUSTICE SHEEN said that on October 4, 1985 the plaintiff had accepted a pay-ment into court made by the

defendants in respect of settle-ment of a libel action. On December 12, 1985 a statement In his Lordship's judgment, was read in open court before Mr Justice Tudor Price. On November 11, 1987 the

taxing master made an order for costs of £50,015 which the defendants paid. There then followed correspondence concerning the interest on costs. By a letter dated December 8, 1987 the plaintiff's first solicitors, Royds Barfield, wrote to the defendants' solicitors, Allen & Overy, asking for interest in respect of 33 days [that is, from the date of the statement in open court until the date of the taxing

master's certificate].

Allen & Overy originally disputed their liability to pay interest for 33 days but on June 28 they agreed to settle in full and final settlement. On November 3, 1988 the

House of Lords delivered speeches in Hunt v R. M. Douglas (Roofing) Ltd ([1990] AC 398) in which it was held that interest ran on costs from the date on which judgment was

the parties had negotiated the settlement of the action at a time when their legal advisers thought erroneously that interest would accrue from the date of the taxing master's certificate, based on the comment in Note 62/35/8 of the Supreme Court Practice 1988. It was open to the plaintiff to have disregarded that comment and such a claim would have been successful in the House of

The action was settled on an erroneous view of the law and the defendants made their pay-ment in full and final settle-

In his Lordship's judgment, it would be inequitable to allow the plaintiff to re-open the matter now and he had no doubt that if the boot had been on the other foot and the defendants could not have recovered that Solicitors: Morton Pugh; Al-

Leave of the court is required for amendment of a writ to be served outside the jurisdiction In December 1987 Mr against both defendants and fact that the whole of the delay redersen applied, unsuccessfully, to the district registrar at Manchester under Order 12 having obtained leave under which time the plaintiffs were in

v Henry and Another Before Lord Justice Purchas, Lord Justice Nourse and Lord

[Judgment May 3] Where a plaintiff had obtained leave under Order 6, rule 7 of the Rules of the Supreme Court to serve a writ out of the jurisdiction, he could not serve a writ which had been amended without the leave of the court.

Order 20, rule il which permitted the amendment of a writ without leave did not apply to Moreover, if the defendant

applied to strike out the leave granted under Order 6, rule 7 on the ground that there was inordinate delay by the plaintiff in pursuing the claim, the court should refuse the application if that delay was within the statutory limitation period. For the purposes of striking

out such leave under Order 12. rule 8 the relevant delay was that between the issue of the writ and the application for leave to serve out of the jurisdiction. The Court of Appeal so stated

in allowing in part an appeal by the plaintiffs. Trafalgar Tours Ltd, Trafalgar Leisure Corporation Ltd. Tom Hill Holdings Ltd and Trafalgar Travel Ltd, from the decision of Sir Peter Pain sitting as a High Court judge on October 28, 1988.

The plaintiffs brought an action against the defendants, Alan James Henry and Svend Eric Pedersen, for damages alleging fraudulent and/or megigent mis-statements made by the defendants about an English limited company trading as Marina Holidays as a result of which the third plaintiff bought the shares in Marina and bought the shares in Marina and res in two Jersey hotels.

Mr Henry lived in England and Mr Pedersen lived in Jersey. The plaintiffs applied ex parte for leave to issue a writ under Order 6, rule 7 of the Rules of the Supreme Court and to serve it on Mr Pedersen under Order rule 1(1)(c) and (f).

Mr District Registrar Keogh ordered that the plaintiffs have leave to issue a writ against Mr Pedersen and that they serve a copy of the writ duly sealed with seal of the court office on him in Jersey. The plaintiffs duly issued one writ but did not obtain a copy of

the order nor did they obtain a concurrent writ in any other way under Order 6, rule 6. Before they served the writ they amended it under Order 20, rule 1(1). The plaintiffs then served the amended writ and statement of claim on Mr Pedersen in Jersey in November 1987 and the amended writ on Mr Henry in January 1988. Manchester under Order 12, rule 8 for an order setting aside the order of Mr District Registrar Keogh, the writ issued pursuant thereto and its service on Mr Pedersen and all subsequent proceedings. The judge allowed Mr

redersen's appeal and set aside the order, the writ, its sarvice and all subsequent proceedings against both defendants. Mr Michael Kershaw, QC and Mr Michael Reishaw, QC and Mr Clive Freedman for the plaintiffs; Mr Anthony Boswood, QC and Mr Hodge Malek for Mr Pedersen; Mr F. J. Mulier, QC and Mr Matthew Caswell for Mr Henry.

LORD JUSTICE PURCHAS said that the judge had held that the plaintiffs had gone about the matter in the wrong way, that they should have issued a writ solely against the first defendant and then applied for a concurrent writ to serve outside the jurisdiction when he would only have to set aside the concurrent writ. He held that since there was only one writ he was bound to set it side.

His Lordship could not agree

with that conclusion. The order

of Mr District Registrar Keogh

clearly envisaged that the plain-tiffs should issue their writ

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The first point made by Mr Kershaw on appeal was that the judge's decision in regard to the service of the writ on Mr Henry

as wrong. The error disclosed in the circumstances of the case in relation to obtaining leave and serving Mr Pedersen could not strike at the right of the plaintiffs to issue and serve a writ on Mr Henry within the Mr Kershaw submitted that

any error in the procedural steps taken by the plaintiffs' solicitors was not an error in jurisdiction which would deprive the plain-tiffs of their right to issue and serve a writ on Mr Henry but a procedural irregularity capable of rectification if appropriate in all the circumsta Order 2, rule 1(1). His Lordship's conclusion

was that Mr Kershaw's subions were correct and that the judge was wrong to set aside the service of the writ on Mr Henry which should, therefore, be restored by the court. The major plank of Mr Kershaw's appeal was the ques-

tion of delay. Before delay could

be relevant it had to be both

His argument rested on the

substantial and relevant.

any event entitled to postpone issuing their writ He argued that for the pur-poses of Order 12, rule 8 the

relevant period during which delay had to be considered was that between the date of the issue of the writ and the application for leave to serve out of the jurisdiction. In the present case there was no delay involved between those two steps which were simultaneous. Accordingly, one was thrown back to the time when both applications were made which was within the statutory period

It was urred on the court that a different standard should be applied in cases of applications under Order 6, rule 7 and applications to strike out such leave under Order 12, rule 8 from that applied in applications to strike out for want of prosecution under Order 18, The authority of Birkett v James ([1978] AC 297) in the

latter case was clear and would, if applicable to the present case, determine the question of delay adversely to the defendants. Notwithstanding Boswood's submissions to the contrary, his Lordship was not

persuaded that a special depar-ture from the established law in Birkett v James would be warranted in applications under Order 12, rule 8. Accordingly, that aspect of Mr Kershaw's appeal succeeded. The plaintiffs also challenged

the judge's view that the leave which had been granted by Mr District Registrar Keogh was leave to serve the unamended writ and not the writ as purportedly amended under Order 20, rule 1.

The judge was referred to paragraph 11/4/9 in The Supreme Court Practice 1988 but, rightly in his Lordship's judgment, held that the power there described to amend the writ, so ong as the new cause of action was one in respect of which there was power to allow service out of the jurisdiction, did not apply where the amendment was made pursuant to Order 20, rule I before the writ was

In his Lordship's view, Order 20, rule 1(3) provided an important fetter on the broadly based power to amend without leave contained in rule 1(1) where the amendments were substantial. The restriction was that the amendment without leave had to be made before the service of the writ on any party. If leave to serve the writ was required under Order 11, rule 1

power under Order 20, rule 1(3) to amend the writ by adding or substituting a party or a new cause of action without leave provided it was done before service of the writ became otiose The authorities referred to in

paragraph 11/4/9 concerned whether amendments should be allowed with leave after the unamended writ had been served. The reference in the paragraph to the rules as to paragraph to the rules as to amendment of writ and state-ment of claim was misleading if it was intended to embrace Order 20, rule 1.

In his Lordship's judgment the service of the amended writ on Mr Pedersen without obtaining the leave of the court, was an end of the matter so far as the service of the writ on Mr Pedersen was concerned and on that aspect he should be discharged from the action.

As the judge rightly empha-sized there was a heavy duty on those applying ex parte under Order 11, rule 1 for leave to Order 11, time 1 for scave to serve a writ out of the jurisdic-tion or for leave to issue the writ in the first place under Order 6, rule 7 to make full and frank

In the present case, quite apart from the many other justifiable criticisms made by the judge of the absence of the

statement of claim, or any indication of how the claim was to be framed, the failure to exhibit accounts and the general air of haste and lack of detailed preparation to which the judge referred in his judgment, the failure to disclose a subtantial and important fact, was sufficient to support the judge's decision that leave should not have been granted in the first

That part of the judge's decision should be upheld. As a matter of discretion and procedure in the circumstances and bearing in mind difficulties arising out of the plaintiffs' failure to comply properly with the rules in serving Mr Henry, his Lordship would not uphold the judge's order in setting aside the writ as against Mr Henry or Mr Pedersen but would allow the writ in its unamended form to stand and would merely set aside the service of the writ on Mr Pedersen. The amendment of the writ and its service on Mr Henry in its amended form should stand. To the extent of that variation

in the judge's order, the appeal would be allowed. Lord Justice Nourse and Lord Justice Beldam agreed. Solicitors: Alexander Tatham. Manchester; Turner Kenneth

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Art of delegation is key to growth for small firms

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20 employees, prospects for success and job creation are generally good. But those with between 20 and 50 workers tend to be job

Professor John Stanworth, the project director of government research to discover how entrepreneurs with a workforce of between five and 50 staff manage their training needs, said: "About 20 employees is as high as you can go without building a management team. A lot of owners are not experienced managers, and some are very reluctant to relinquish authority by delegating."

A survey of 120 small enterprises has been promoted by the Department of Education and Science's Professional, Industrial and Commercial updating programme, or Pickup. It is a first step in an attempt to cut the failure rate of small businesses by identifying the training needs of this potentially large and important market.

The project is based on three academic centres, Durham Business School, Nottingham Polytechnic and the Polytechnic of Central London, where Professor John Stanworth is head of Small Business, Professor Stanworth quotes research which shows that between 1985 and 1987, businesses with between five and 19 employees created 290,000 jobs,

FOR businesses with fewer than but those with between 20 and 49 staff lost about 80,000 jobs.

He said: "A business can cope fairly safely with up to 20 people. But after that it's not just a matter of coordinating. The business has got to have management teams and become more structured. I'm fairly sure the trouble is caused by this transition from being virtually a one-man band to the stage where team management is needed."

The research project, which will finish at the end of next year, is expected to provide an important breakthrough in understanding



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Enterprise provides the A to Z of image and self-presentation

Idea that found its voice

By BRIAN COLLETT

THE growth in business activity and the resulting increased competitiveness gave Mrs Philippa Davies her own business idea. She could use her theatrical skills to sharpen people's selfpresentation as a business tool.

She had a drama degree and an advanced diploma in voice studies and had spent seven years in acting. There was scope for people to learn about their behav-

iour," she said.
Mrs Davies decided first to concentrate on the use of the voice and called her business Voiceworks. She has recently become known for her book, Your Total Image, but recalls her "baptism by fire" on starting up three and a

She had injected several hundred pounds of her own money and sent out 1,000 leaflets postagefree under a Post Office scheme for new businesses. Then she went on her first outside assignment training Nissan car salesmen. The trouble was that every few minutes, salesmen would leave the group to serve a customer or give a

Back home in Shepherds Bush, west London, Mrs Davies turned her front bedroom into a classroom, recruited a partner and subsidized the new enterprise by working for a drama school. However, she lost her partner and switched to running the business full-time, relying on an accommodating bank manager when-

ever finance was needed. Her belief that the competitive 1980s businesses wanted self-presentation and behaviour training for employees proved right, and her programme widened to include dress and other approaches, as well as the use of the voice.

Clients of Voiceworks have included Bupa, the Civil Service, the John Lewis Partnership, Marks and Spencer, the Shell group and even people wanting to improve their performance in court - lawyers, witnesses and defendants. In the course of her work, Mrs

Davies has had to help her trainees to overcome society's prejudices. She explained: "In Britain, dark-suited men used to be regarded as unintelligent, and scruffiness was accepted as a sign of intelligence. "But generally the Europeans, especially the French and West

Germans, pay more attention to their presentation." The import-ance of presentation will intensify when British business people have to compete on equal terms with their Continental counterparts in the single European market after

One of Mrs Davies's tasks has been to help trainees to soften strong regional accents, as these sometimes alienate potential customers. Another has been to teach training officers how to keep their students' attention.

Mrs Davies has already co-



Hands-on display: Philippa Davies, left, and Meryl Griffiths

Style and Confidence. Her own book, Your Total Image, came out last month, and she has produced an audio tape on suess-free speaking with Mrs Meryl Griffiths, her present co-trainer.

Mrs Davies, who now runs Voiceworks from her house in Hammersmith, west London, wonders if she should expand to

written Wardrobe: Develop your meet the needs of business, especially as 1992 comes nearer.

"The snag is that if I offer a far wider range of training I shall be doing less of it myself," she said. A recent development has high-lighted the need. "The televising of the Commons has made people more aware of self-presents

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Mrs Davies observed.

Edited by Derek Harris

Industrial Editor

movement encouraged new business enterprises according to Mr David Blunkett, Labour's spokesman on local government affairs (Derek Harris writes). He was speaking at this week's meeting of the Business Centre Society, where he gave a glimpse of how a Labour government would approach small business affairs. He saw a need for a faulthe cackene of financial help. a flexible package of financial help. suitable accommodation, expert advice and provision of services to enable those with marketable ideas to reach the production stage and succeed in the long term.

Blacked by Training Agency cash, the Kennedy Scott Training and Development consultancy of London is about to start a series of workshops and seminars which will offer free advice to tyro entrepreneurs. The workshops, to be held from this month until December in East London and Essex, will offer free advice to those offer free advice to those offer free advice to those contemplating starting their own business. Business skills seminars are also being extended to the Bedroushire area. Businesses less than a year old get the one-day seminar free, while others pay a subsidized 250. Further details: Lisa Kennedy, 071 378 7175.

Small business workshops will be run by the National Westminster Bank at more than 200 locations by the end of this year. Sessions offer free start-up advice by repre-sentatives of NatWest and other bodies, including enterprise agen-

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Belled the Ath day of June 1990 By Mr Smart (Company) Secretary)

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Dated this first day of June 1990
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Dated this 24 day of May 1990 Melvyn L. Rose, F.C.A. F.C.C.A. Liquidator

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oyota engineers, told to create the world's finest luxury car, started by studying the three main contenders for the title: the Jaguar XI6, Mercedes 420SE and BMW 735i. Typically, the Japanese first looked to the opposition to discover what they had to do to break into the top end of the market. Also typical is that having decided to make a luxury model, Toyota allocated £300 million to complete the company's most ambitious project ever. The result is the Lexus LS400, a £34,000 executive car which went into the show-

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rooms this week in Britain. The Lexus is everything a huxury car should be - and more. It is powered by a 4-litre V8 good for just over 240bhp, enough to have the car gliding to a top speed of 155mph. Acceleration is good, but not at the expense of nearsilent running. Ride and handling are both excellent for such a large

The interior has a "Euro-feel", many traditional qualities being coupled with some excellent Japanese gadgetry. The Pioneer stereo system, for example, was part of

Toyota's Lexus marks an attempt to enter the £30,000 market with the 'world's finest luxury performance saloon'. Will it succeed?

UNDER THE BONNET

the integral design of the interior. The equipment lies flush in the

dashboard, and extensive checks have been carried out to ensure optimum sound quality from the Outside, the car has a drag

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coefficient of 0.29, the equal of many sports cars, thanks to flushfitting glass and carefully shaped bumpers, mirrors and trim. Even the washer nozzles are colourkeyed and the wipers adjust automatically to the car's speed. If all that sounds too good to be true, it partly mirrors Toyota's modest claim that Lexus is "the

On sale in Britain this week at £34,250.

Power: 4-litre, 241bhp V8 through

Lexus LS400:

world's finest luxury performance saloon". The company's judge-ment was underlined by the fact that the car was US Imported Car of the Year and Japan Car of the

So will British buyers be banging their old Jags and Mercs into the showrooms to queue up for the Japanese wonder car? Toyota is certainly aiming for the buyer who expects everything about his car to be different from the crowd. The Lexus, for example, will not be marketed as a Toyota marque, but separately with its own livery and badges and through a network of

three-way catalytic converter fitted for unleaded petrol running only. Speed: 0 to 60mph 8.3 seconds, maximum 155mph. Fuel consumption: 19.6mpg in

town driving (official figures).

41 dealers. Although the Lexus is new, it looks little different in shape from the mid-market cars which surround it.

Is that what a buyer in the £30,000 class really wants? I doubt it, and Toyota may have to appreciate that simply producing a highly technical car is not sufficient

I sense a change of attitude among buyers, who now expect reliability as part of the package with every car. Performance also ceases to be an issue unless it is truly revolutionary, not some-thing that is liable to happen unless there is a radical technological departure.

What matters is class and character. Lexus has class in abundance but the car's character and personality are virtually

That will not prevent the Lexus from meeting its target of 800 sales in Britain this year, or Toyota from rightly claiming to produce one of the world's finest luxury cars. It will prevent drivers in future years from becoming mistyeyed and naming the Lexus among their list of all-time great cars.



Everything a luxury car should be? The Lexus LS400, which was launched in Britain this week.

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Convertible asset: spring weather brings out an open-top version of the car that is now a classic

Sunny-side up for old 'poached egg'

THE MORRIS Minor, described as looking like "a poached egg" by the man who ordered the end of production in 1971, was one of the most popular cars of its day. More than 1.5 million were sold during 23 years of production.

The executives of the giant BLMC conglomerate decided the "Moggy" was not a car of the future and Lord Nuffield ordered the model killed off. Buyers, the chiefs said, wanted acrodynamic lines and high technology.

Yet two decades on, the Morris Minor is enjoying a wave of affection from a motoring public yearning for cars of character. More than 150,000 are thought to be still on the roads - and the car is even being used as a prize in newspaper competitions.

Martin Dooner, founder of the Morris Minor Company, in Don-caster, South Yorkshire, says the car is an antidote to the world of hi-tech wizardy overtaking drivers

He started his business 10 years
ago in a lock-up garage with a

British car of all time.

"Moggy" bought for £15, which he renovated.

Demand is now so great that output is 60 renovated cars a year, with some selling for £7,000 and as much as £15,000 in Japan, along with Italy, one of the growing export markets.

Mr Dooner adds: "Buyers are looking for cars with character. Many families will have a company car or a family saloon, but want a Morris Minor for their second car because it is fun."

The revival of interest in the Morris Minor is a tribute to the car's designer, the late Sir Alec Issigonis, the engineer who also designed the Min. The Minor was his first big project after the war and had all the hallmarks of his cars, being practical and cheap. Wings were boit-on so they could be taken off easily and changed if rust took hold.

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More than 50 motoring stars of stage and screen will take part in the Great British Film Rally from August 12-15. James Bond's Lotus and the Batmobile are two of the care taking part in the London-to-Cennes raily to raise money for Save the Children. More than 240,000 was raised last year.

Positively the first and last word about the World Cup on the worth noting that if all goes terribly wrong for Gary Lineker and the lads, they are assured of a speedy motoring page. It is and smooth exit from the tournament, courtesy of Flat which is providing 566 cars and vans for the month-long event.



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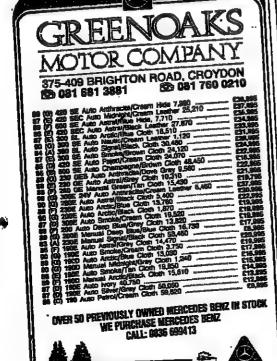
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Way succeeds in turbulent waters

many pre-Olympic boardsailing regattas this year, including the highly-competitive event at Medenblinck in The Netherlands at the end of May, Penny Way is fast becoming Britain's hottest Olympic

The lithe British national cham-pion, who, at 28, has had an unbroken hold on the title for the past decade with the exception of 1988 when she was racing in a more important championship overseas, won her latest championship title with a day to spare, crushing the former American world champion,

Wendy Thompson.

Her only defeat during the past year has been at the hands of Jorrun Horgen, of Norway, at last season's world championship in Majorca. "I had been leading all the way through and held a 200 yards adantage on the last leg when I ran into a raft of seaweed. By the time I had alexand it from the heart! had cleared it from the board, Jorrun had slipped through," she

Horgen has not managed to get the better of Way since, and at the French championship at Hyeres in April, where the competition was at its strongest. Way again beat her rival with ease. The ambition driving the British hopeful this year is to lift the world crown at the principal championship off Buenos Aires in October.

Born in Bristol, Way was introduced to sailing at the age of 11 after her father, a BBC television producer, had moved the family to Plymouth, "I was very lucky. I was introduced to the sport at school and began sailing on the River Tamar," she said. The transition from dinghy to windsurfer was made 10 years ago. "A sailboard is a lot easier to handle than a dinghy. You never need to worry about a crew, and I could lift the board off the roof of a car without help."

Within a year, Way was already making waves on the international circuit. In 1981, she won the British national title for the second time, and finished second in the Windsurfer European championship before going to Australia to win the national championship

The following year, she changed to the Mistral class and, after finishing third in the world championship in 1982, took the crown four years later. Way made a play for the change of th Olympic berth at Los Angeles in 1984, but then the board discipline was not divided between men and women. There was no way we could compete against the men, especially as supporting harnesses were banned. The only time we could hold our own was in light

She had another go in 1988 but was forced to pull out when the board was changed from a discharge from a dis two type to the present Lechner Olympic design. "I just couldn't afford to change."

Those injustices have now been rectified. In 1992, women will have their own boardsailing division at the Barcelona Olympic regatta and Way has the skill, tenacity and guts to make that central podium her own. What she lacks is the money.

An Olympic board costs £1,400, and racing or training in Christchurch Bay almost every day, Way gets through three boards a year. Sails, which come in three different sizes to take account of the weather, cost £300 each. Carbon fibre masts at £200 each are another large expense and, as with the sails, she gets through at least five a year. Add to this her travel and training costs, and a four-year Olympic campaign leaves little change from £50,000.

On the plus side, the Royal Yachting Association contribute 50 per cent of her basic travel costs and the Sports Aid Foundation has allocated a small amount towards her equipment.

Sadly Way's impressive record has so far cut little ice with British industry. Apart from Daihatsu, who have loaned her a car, and Typhoon Wetsuits, who provide Way's sailing clothing, more than 200 sponsorship requests have all drawn

It seems support is harder to pick up than the silverware.



Making waves: Penny Way takes a firm grip as she sets sail in pursuit of Olympic honour:

STUDENT SPORT

All-round Graham is college's guide to the semi-finals

By Mark Herbert

AN IMPRESSIVE all-round performance by David Graham guided College of St Paul and St Mary into the semi-finals of the Mary into the scatterings of the Springs of the South-West derby with South Glamorgan IHE, the Cheltenham college won by 43 runs. Graham, who scored 80 runs,

featured in a stand of 164 for the second wicket with Chris second wicket with Chris Rawlings, who finished, stranded, three short of his century when the 40-over limit was reached. St Paul and St Mary made 215 for four. In reply, South Glamorgan started well but were undone by Graham's spell, which earned him five for 30, as they were dismissed for 172.

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missed for 172.

The win earned St Paul and St Mary another tie against local by college standards, anyway rivals, St Mark and St John, from Plymouth. Having beaten the holders, Southampton CHE, in the first round, they moved into the last four with an impressive 10-wicket victory over West London IHE.

The other semi-final will be

Leeds, who beat Edge Hill in a rain-affected match, reduced to 25 overs a side, and Bedford CHE, who overcame St Martin's, Liverpeol in a low-scoring affair in which their captain, James Lewis, took five for 14 to help dismiss their opponents for 89.

none of the stocs made the last four last season. The semi-finals are scheduled for June 13, and the final, to be played at Mitchell and Butlers' CC,

• The British Universities will play in a football tournament in Dublin during July. The squad, which will be based on the representative side fielded durinto the last four with an impressive 10-wicket victory over West Landon IHE.

The other semi-final will be between Trinity and All Saints,

BOWLS

Brick given promotion by a reorganised Kent

the Kent team when they open their defence of the Middleton Cup against Oxfordshire at Oxford tomorrow (Gordon Allan writes). Brick, who played No. 3 to Andy Thomson last season, gains promotion because Ron Price has decided to take a year's

The selectors have made numerous positional changes, recalling Dave Banfield and Doug Yeomanson, and leaving only Gary Smith's rink

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Maradona rings up the curtain in Milan

From David MILLER

MILAN TWO teams in a state of flux, Argentina and Cameroon, this afternoon open the fourteenth World Cup here. Valery Nepomniaschy, Cameroon's Soviet team manager, has to decide whether to gamble on recalling one of the oldest players in the history of the World Cup finals, the 38-year-old centre forward, Roger

Goalkeepers, of course, Shilton have been or are older. Stanley Matthews was 39 when, recalled yet again by the selectors on public demand and form, he played outstandingly in the quarter-final against Uruguay in 1954. The case of Milla is equally un-



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in 1975, he formally played his last international match in December 1987, before completing his retirement in the French League that season. However, he was persuaded to return for the 1988 African championship, and was a lively leader in attack of the team that took the cup, beating Nigeria in the finals in front of a lukewarm Arab First coming to prominence audience in Casablanca clearly showing their disapproval of

two black finalists.

Milla again retired, and was now playing what might be termed non-League football in the lie de Reunion in the Indian Ocean. Suddenly, six weeks ago, he announced that he wished once more, Sinatraback. He had to be accompanied by the Sports Minister to the squad's training camp in Yugoslavia, in order that the Minister might explain his re-introduction to younger players who would otherwise possibly have mutinied.

Antoine Bell, the Bordeaux goalkeeper who was runner-up as French footballer of the year, called Milla's action "irresponsible". Milla's re-sponse to that is that he is like a military reservist, "always ready to be called to my country's colours". His wilful is nicknamed "Gadaffi" by his

Nepomniaschy is torn between the demands of fanatical supporters at home in Yaounde, supported by a press campaign, and reality: can Milla seriously threaten Argentina's defence. The manager will announce his line-up this morning.

Nepomniaschy's other dilemma is whether to prefer Bell to N'Kono, whose memorable performances in Spain eight years ago helped Cameroon draw all three first round matches (including against Italy) to establish a unique preced of being the unique record of being the only World Cup final team never to have lost.

"Trying to keep that record will be tough," Nepomniaschy says, tongue in cheek. He had

fence of their African title two months ago, losing to Senegal and Zambia. They only marginally recovered the form which had disposed of Tunisia in the qualifying double de-cider when they recently beat

Kenya in a warm-up match.

There will be no special provisions for marking Man-dona, Nepomniaschy says. "We have no complex about him, and are thrilled to be playing against him. We have prepared a tactical system, but it is not dependent on manfor-man marking. We are not playing against just Maradona, but a team."

Carlos Vilardo is not so sure. The manager of the winning team in Mexico City four years ago has been quoted as saying his side would consist of "Maradona and 10 others". Yesterday he an-nounced a team that, surpris-

pected to take some of the attention and pressure away from Maradona.

If Vilardo's team is genuinely the one he intends to field - and I remain sceptical - it will have Balbo, from Udinese, on the flank along-side Maradona; with the risk that Maradona will get kicked as unmercifully as he has been for the past 10 years. Unless, that is, the referees

really are going to start controlling the game. In charge today is Vautrot, of France, always competent yet, like even the best, less stringers. gent than he is entitled to be if interpreting the laws correctly. It will be something of a sensation to see, if FIFA's

demands are upheld, every player being booked for shirt-

who is bearing down on goal.

l am no defender of Maradona's behaviour, social or sporting, on and off the field. Yet the fact is that he has, like George Best in his time, been persistently and disgracefully fouled so many times without penalty by refcrees, that it is no surprise he responds with other forms of cheating, emotional and physical. Let us be in no doubt that the game has corrupted him more than vice-versa; he is indisputably the greatest player we have today.

Now he has the immense task of carrying an Argentine team that has fallen from its peaks of 1978 and 1986 but with him in form, of reaching the semi-finals. Since victori-

ingly, did not include pulling and sent off for the so-Caniggia, the forward from called professional foul of tina lost 14 matches out of 35 Atalanta, who had been ex-blatantly tripping an attacker up to the end of last year, and scored only five goals in their

last i i matches. They have not been improving this year, but with 14 of the squad of 22 being with European clubs, they have a

blend of Latin technique and

European experience which can still take them a long way. Nepomniaschy claims the same cosmopolitan quality for his team. The game of the Germans, the Russians and the English is rational," he said. "Our way is more improvisation, we are close to French football. We would not be surprised to win." It promises to be an intriguing open

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Captain courageous wins the thanks of England's manager

career, but they were over-shadowed by the prolonged and colourful appraisal of-all, he scores vital goals." fered yesterday by the national manager. In the opinion of a player as we've ever

On the eve of the tourhave been tempted to elevate the stature of his most influential individual to provide him with a timely and diplomatic boost. But there could be no doubting the earnest sincerity of his words or the gratitude which implicitly they carried.

One statistic illustrates the importance of a captain "who has been everything" during Bobby Robson's reign. Bryan Robson has featured in 62 of the 88 internationals so far. In his presence, England have lost only 10. In his more limited absence, they have been beaten seven times.

The great sadness is that Bryan has missed so many BODDY Robson said. "He should by now have a record number of caps." But for injury, he would be winning his 112th when he leads England out against the Republic of Ireland here on Monday evening.

"I hope the next national manager isn't without his best player for more than a quarter of his matches. We've missed Bryan's tenacious attitude. He's a winner and he never pulls out of tackles." Bobby Chariton would echo those sentiments. He regards Manchester United's captain as "the bravest player l've ever seen"

But Bryan Robson epitomises more than fearlessness. Bobby Robson recalled three of his passes, each struck ricked, but Parker, another

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BRYAN Robson, the figure- with the majestic precision of head of England's World Cup Hoddle, which released in challenge, has received a thou- turn Lineker. Stevens and sand bouquets during his Waddle in Tunisia on Sat-

His ratio of more than one goal in every fourth inter-Bobby Robson, he is "as good national is remarkably high a player as we've ever for a midfield player, and especially in the modern age. Using his instinctive ability to nament, Bobby Robson might time his runs into the penalty area, he often claims the decisive strike. Six of his 26 goals have been winners for England.

> "He's so good that I was prepared to samble with him in the 1986 World Cup, even though there was a big question mark against him," Bobby Robson said, "He was the only player in the country I would have risked." Ultimately, it failed and England's fortunes rose ironically once he had dislocated his shoulder.

> "If I hadn't taken him to Mexico and we had done badly there, everyone would behind, Anyway, it is a terrific bonus having him here now and so fit. The months he was out earlier this year might even be to our advantage."

Significantly, he suggested that Beardsley, who was also out for seven weeks towards the end of the season, is also fresher than he might have been. He is almost certain to be in a line-up which, apart from Gascoigne, includes all of the most experienced members of the squad.

As doubts about the principal goalkeeper receded, so those about Shilton's understudy increased. Woods injured his back and was excused from training. So was Wright, whose neck is still

possible central defensive reserve, was able to take a full part in the private session.

The gates were locked but, whenever they were opened to allow official vehicles to enter, Bobby Robson's intentions were momentarily revealed. He will not confirm the evidence until his team sheet must officially be handed in on Monday, but he did admit that "my mind is already made up".

If expectations are realised, he has decided to swim against the main tide and attack the Irish with two wingers. "The first phase, when everyone is playing for points and placings, will probably be full of careful and cagey football." he said. "In the second round, the tournament will take off."

stage, he has set a minimum target of three points, which was sufficient four years ago. Then, by the time England entered the last 16 Bryan Robson was no longer available. Now the manager foresees him making in appropriate glory.

"He is superb in defence, in midfield and in attack. He's as good a player as we've ever produced. He's undoubtedly world class and, to go with that, he's a good type too. All of the other players respect ability. He is a great captain.

"I cannot believe that he's never been voted the footballer of the year. For all that he has done for his club and his country, giving everything in every match that he has played, he richly deserves to lift up the World Cup next month in Rome."

PROBABLE EMELAND TEAM (v Republic of Ireland: P Shitton, G Stevens, D Implies, T Buchen, S Parrott, C Waddle, P Gascogne, B Robson, J Bernes, G Lington, P Bearraider

Football's most valuable property



A marked man: Maradona was given his own police escort for a short walk to the team hotel in Milan yesterday

Roxburgh to Leighton's defence

IT HAS often seemed that the easiest way to perplex anyone in charge of a Scotland side is to question the ability of the goalkeepers available to him and Andy Roxburgh, the Scot-land coach, has not proved to be exceptional in this respect, as he demonstrated yesterday when he expressed indignation about the treatment of Jim Leighton on a midweck sports pro-gramme broadcast on ITV.

Roxburgh participated in a five discussion with the England manager, Bobby Robson, but although he could not see what was being screened in Britain he realised from hearing snippets of commentary in his earpiece that a montage of goals conceded by Leighton this season was being shown.

"It's so predictable that it

said at the Scottish headquarters in Rapallo, near Genoa yes-terday, "But what does become very annoying is the fact that the coverage is so unbalanced. Now Jim Leighton has his bad games like everybody else but you would do well to count on the fingers of one hand the number of poor matches he has played for Scotland. Who shows all the saves he has made that have kept us in games or com-

All of which was prompted by an earlier statement by the Scottish coach that be has already decided which players he will field against Costa Rica in the Scots' opening match on Monday afternoon and he further insisted that he had experienced no difficulty in selecting his goalkeeper for that game.

Although he declined to be

Leighton or Andy Gorman, of Hibernian, Roxburgh appeared to offer a significant clue when he said: "When Jim joined us to travel to Malia after he had been dropped by Manchester United for the FA Cup final reply with Crystal Palace, it was putting it mildly to say that he was down.

"That is why, when we de-cided to play him and Andy Goram for one half each against Malta, we thought it best that Jim should play the second half. If we had played him in the first half and be had made a mistake. people would say that we had dropped him at half-time. The goalkeepers knew they would both take part.

"We wanted to avoid that. Now Jim's morale is back to normal again and I must say that our goalkeepers, including Bryan Gunn, work very well together. They are competitive

because neither of his first-choice forward players is fully fit. The good news is that Maurice Johnston is shead of Maurice Johnston is ahead of schedule in recovering from his stomach injury and he has begun to train again. "If you had asked me last weekend I would have said he had no chance of playing in the World Cup. Now there's a good chance he will make it against Costa Rica." Roxburgh said.

However, there is a doubt about his Rangers club-colleague, Ally McCoist, the player who surprised Roxburgh on Wednesday by revealing that he had concealed a hamstring problem for 10 days before flying out to Genoa. McCoist's injury is worrying but Roxburgh said: "One thing in Ally's favour is that he heals even faster than

life, in its thrills and agonies." Unlucky Whelan plays his last card

> THERE will be no escape from football even in the skies above Italy. The national airline, Alitalia, has clinched a deal with Italian television to show films of matches on

international flights. Sportscene WITH TEST MATCH

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Players stage silent protest

THE relationship between the England squad and the media has sunk into an uneasy silence. Bobby Robson is prepared to give interviews, as officially required, but most of his players are becoming increasingly reluc-tant to talk to reporters and some are flatly refusing to do so.
They claim that they have they chant that they have been so frequently either misquoted or criticised savagely that they prefer no longer to cooperate with people they now regard as foes. Sadly, long gone

are the good, old days when the two camps mixed amicably and freely as friends.

They are now divided by a wall of suspicion and, in some cases, contempt. The barrier is never more evident than during foreign tournaments and especially the longest, the finals of the World Cup, which are invariably preceded by several weeks of growing anxiety. The air of tension hangs over both

FIXTURES

Group B Argentina v Cameroon (Milan, 5.0)... (conomow)

Group B Soviet Union v Romania (Bari, 4.0). UAE v Colombia (Bologna, 4.0)...... Group A

Italy v Austria (Rome, 8.0) TELEVISION

WORLD CUP: Eurosport 8.30-8am, 11-7pm (with tennis) and 9-11pm: World Cup preview, opening ceremony and Argentina v Cameroon from Milan. ITV 4-7pm: Opening ceremony and Argentina v Cameroon; 89C1 10-20-11.10pm; High-lights of Argentina v Cameroon.

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Rome: BBC1 11.20pm-midnight: World Cup report: GRANDSTARD: BBC1
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Remains from Set. Tomorrow

The players are inevitably nervous, no matter how relaxed they may appear to be, and journalists are under particular pressure to produce lively daily reports. For the sake of sensationalism, a slight strain can be converted into a heavy pull, a small graze into a bloody

wound. A player's answer to a quesa player's answer to a ques-tion can be twisted out of shape and lifted out of the original context. The alterations, it should be added, are not always made by the journalist who is supposedly credited for them. Inexcusably, changes have been carried out to fit predetermined

headlines. Bobby Robson made an impassioned and private plea at the start of the campaign in an attempt to clear the rancid atmosphere. Justifiably, he was responding to an irresponsible report, which claimed erroneously that he had been jeered

part in Cagliari's promotion celebrations.
His appeal has had no noticeable effect. Stories have continued to be exaggerated to such an extent that they no longer processors reality and worst of

represent reality and, worst of all, a picture in one of last Sunday's newspapers purported to show the England manager leering at the wife of one of his

No one can blame either Robson or his players for deeply mistrusting the media when they see such damning evidence. Unfortunately they regard everyone as being responsible.

Only a few are deliberately sinister and provocative.

Players cannot afford to hold conversations only with those they consider trustworthy. They are aware that their words may be passed on, perhaps in-advertently, to others who are less honourable. With reason, they fear the outcome of the

playing against England, though he is reluctant to admit it to the From CLIVE WHITE RABAT, MALTA RONNIE Whelan's World Cup

begins in earnest here today, when he attempts the nearimpossible task of playing him-self into the Republic of treland's opening game against England in Cagliari on Monday without having kicked a ball of any consequence in seven weeks

because of injury.

Jack Charlton, the manager, has declared that the full-scale practice match on the training ground beside the Ta'Qali national stadium is the last opportunity for Whelan to prove his finess, after breaking a bone in his foot playing for Liverpool against Arsenal at Highbury in April.

player. Whelan, as is the way of greatest moment of their life. Should he fail to shine

through the hour-long practice match, which will involve half a dozen Maltese internationals, or, heaven forbid, break down, Charlton may begin to reproach himself for his decision to select an injured player in preference

Not the least interested party in all of this will be Gary Waddock, who though included in the provisional squad which omitted at the eleventh hour in favour of Alan McLoughlin, of Swindon Town, and, more

Charlton hopes, rather than expects, that Whelan will play a part in the championship later. But World Cup history is lit-tered with stories of how countries have taken along players in suspect condition only to be disappointed. At least his gamble on the fitness of Ray Houghton, another important member of

being. Houghton is certain of starting against England, though his problematical back injury is susceptible to relapses. Much though one can sym-pathise with Charlton's desire to

the Republic's midfield, appears

see Whelan in the team, he has left himself open to charges of unreasonable optimism over

the selection of his squad, which has an average age of 28 years and five months, the highest in the finals. The decision to include four extra forwards but only two reserves in midfield and one at

full back could rebound upon him. The omission of the two highly-promising Oldham Athletic players, Milligan and Irwin, was particularly difficult to The Irish, who will leave here

for Italy today, believe that unlike the Scots, who were content to return to Britain from Malta last week after a few days of mixed weather, they have undergone a proper period of acclimatisation. "Now the players can change the boredom of

Stay-away spectators and the television windfall

From KEN SHULMAN FLORENCE

WITH an estimated overall television audience of 26.5 billion viewers. Italia '90 will eclipse all previous television spectator records. More than 1.1 billion people are expected to watch the final on July 8, nearly twice the audience of 655 million for the 1986 World Cup final in Mexico, and nearly three times the 420 million

who turned on their sets to witness

the royal wedding in 1981. This,

above all else, will be the windfall of Italia '90. From manufacturers who hoped to use the tournament as a springboard to launch their products on to the international market, to labour unions who tried to turn the World Cup into a lever to prise concessions from management, to regional and

city administrators who used it as a pretext to obtain funds for longdelayed urban renewal projects, to hotel and resort owners who prepared for the onslaught of tourists, and to football supporters who dreamed of an Italian victory, the World Cup has come very close to representing all things to all people.

Despite the elaborate preparations and the packed calendar of complementary events which the 12 World Cup cities have planned for the month-long tournament, very little of the shower of gold which was forecast for Italy during the World Cup is likely to arrive. The host country will reap few short-term financial benefits from

the estimated £4,750 million it

spent preparing for the tournament.

The hoped-for invasion of support-

ers and tourists has not

materialised. Most estimates in-

dicate that the number of supporters attending the World Cup is not likely to exceed 600,000.

What's more, normal tourist traffic has also visibly diminished. Instead of drawing them to Italy, the World Cup seems to be driving both seasonal holiday-makers and firsttime visitors elsewhere.

Mario Lippi, the president of the Italian Association of Tourism, said: "On the contrary, the usual summer-time tourists are staying away this year, because they've heard Italy will be crowded, or because it will be chaotic, or because of fears of violence."

Unlike hotel and tour operators, the 40 Italian companies which to go on sale. purchased the right to market their products with the official Italia '90 CIAO mascot, have recovered their money with interest. The spindly mascot has been used to boost sales

in everything from toothpaste and bicycles to bank accounts. For many Italians, the World Cup has meant four years of potholes,

scaffolding, and seemingly endless construction, which has made an already chaotic city like Rome almost uninhabitable. A recent survey revealed that one Italian in five is against the tournament.

Alternatively, for every Italian who curses the World Cup, there are four who favour it. Supporters in Rome slept out on the pavement in front of the Banca Nazionale di Lavoro last Friday night, some waiting up to 25 hours, for the remaining 20,000 tickets to the final

And then there is the Italian team, which is not so much expected, as required, to excel. The present team contains only five members of the side which their former coach, Enzo

Bearzot, took to Mexico in 1986 to lose in the second round. Azeglio Vicini, who replaced Bearzot in October of 1986, brought with him the nucleus of his Italy Under-21 team, which, when winning the Uefa Cup that same year, delighted all of Europe with its free-wheeling, rapid, un-Italian attacking style, including Vialli, Giannini, Donadoni, Ferri, De Napoli and

With Italy's unprecedented sweep in European cup competitions - the victories of AC Milan, Sampdoria and Juventus have bloated sentiments of national football supremacy - it would be nothing short of a nationwide disaster should Italy make a poor showing. Italians have grown resigned to living with inefficiency, delays, corruption and chaos in their daily lives. But football is quite another matter.



The pasta masters prepare

THE recipes for World Cup success, inevitably, vary from country to country, but it is no surprise to find that Italy, the host country, will fuel their efforts with spachetti.

The Italian team doctor. Antonio Vecchiet, is stuffing his charges with mounds of carbo-

changes with mounds of carbohydrates and has chopped their meat ration and banned butter.
The Mediterranean diet is just right — it's important not to tire out the digestive system." he

staple for the Italians, who kick-off their campaign against Au-tris in Rome tomorrow, its soporific qualities are being used to drug the players who cannot sleep because of growing nerves. If past opening matches are any guide, Vecchiet might well prescribe watching the Argentina v Cameroon game on the television tonight as the perfect means of inducing deep slumber in the Italian camp on

he South Koreans are being fed by the Korean community of Milan on inchi, a traditional dish of pickled cabbage in hot pepper and sarlic sauce. So, watch out Belgium, Urugusy

Secret service

ARMED police will guard the 36 referees, who will be quar-tered at secret locations, "You never know if some madman is going to come and try to take revenge," a spokesman for FIFA, the game's governing

Liverpool echo THE words of the late Bill Shankly have found an echo in the streets of Beirut, where new forms of rivalry have surfaced. with flag-waving football supporters noisily parading their loyaltles. Nabil Fakhani, a their loyalities. Nabil Pakhani, a supermarket manager in West Beirut, said: "A great British football manager once said, "People who say football is a matter of life and death are fools. It is much more serious than that." than that,' in Lebanon, his words could never be more accurate. For many Lebanese, the game of football symbolises

A kind of hush A DEATHLY hush will fell at midnight on the streets of the north Italian city of Bolzano, which has imposed a curfew on bublic celebrations, or indeed, iamentations, provoked by the World Cup. The police have promised to break up "with particular severity" the familiar parades of cars and fine pedestrians pergisting in wild revelop trians persisting in wild revelry

Flight of fancy WALTER GAMMIE



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RUGBY UNION

extend his international career Scotland team to play Canterhas been troubled with injuries over the past two seasons. displaces Paul Burnell from the grand slam side, which, with that one change at tighthead, looks like being the team to face the All Blacks in eight

The Scotland coach, Ian McGeechan, commenting on the selection of the Heriot's FP prop. said: "lain Milne is back in international rugby for the first time in 15 months. It is important at this stage to assess his exact form. He had a fairly easy outing in his first game against Poverty Bay/East Coast, but this is the real test."

The tour selectors will be hoping that Milne, who played for the Lions in 1983, can recapture some of his old form. Asked what Milne would add to the Scotland team, McGeechan said:

It will be hard on Burnell if he is displaced by Milne for the international, after playing so well in the five nations'

Spotlight to fall on the referee

From Peter Bills

THE practice of employing overseas referees for international match series, both in the northern and southern hemispheres, is again expected to be under scrutiny in Sydney

Tony Spreadbury, of England, makes his debut as a senior international referee in the first international of the Australia-France series: however, there is a general feeling that not every-one in this part of the world is euphoric at the idea of a British official, without any inter-national match experience, handling so important a game - and Spreadbury, at 29 years of age. very young for a referee at this level, concedes there have been the occasional difficulties

Yet the man whose playing career was abbreviated by a serious shoulder injury insists there are more plus points to the equation than minus. "To get consistent refereeing around the world you have got to continue this trend." he said. "I see no point in the southern hemisphere officials working their way and our referees doing things our way. No one wins in that situation.

*There have been some problems, but I think this system should be persisted with." Spreadbury, who has refereed

six warm-up matches in 14 days, sees his chief task as accepting the reality that the Australians like to play the game on the floor. "It's quite difficult to get them to say on their feet do the latter. You can get quicker, cleaner ball for your backs if your forwards have remained upright."

IAIN Milne, the former Brit- London Scot was under presish Isles prop, seems likely to sure in the set scrums against Wellington and again in the after being selected for the match on Wednesday against Nelson Bays/Marlborough. bury tomorrow. Milne, who Milne's presence would add a fusion which has manifestly not been there.

> "Our forward play has been too loose," McGeechan said. The Scotland coach clearly sees this match as the last opportunity to give his potential international side a run. "We can't afford not to put out our full side," he said. "Coming into the game, we must have our combinations together. However, I'm pleased that in the first two weeks, we managed to mix the younger players with the more experienced members of the

The more intense build-up to tomorrow's match against Canterbury was reflected in Scotland's decision to hold their training session away from the public gaze that has attended their preparations for the three previous tour matches. It was no less than Canterbury requested for their practice at Rugby Park in

Tomorrow's match at Lancaster Park should be the

Namibian bubble burst by Wales

THE Namibians have been waging a war of attrition against the Welsh to which, thankfully, the touring team has not

Henning Snyman, the Namibia coach, stated quite categorically that his side would beat Wales in the first inter-national. When they failed to do so he resorted to criticising the reeing of Fred Howard.

He has since apologised to the referee for his behaviour and has had a further meeting with him to establish exactly what his side needs to be aware of. Namibia seem to be in a rugby time warp and are still thinking

and playing in terms of past

Their isolation has meant that they have overestimated their own capabilities and grossly unbeaten and on a high note.

underestimated this young Welsh squad. They cannot cope with the superior technique and fitness of the Welsh.

hardest of the tour so far. This

season, Canterbury have

beaten Wellington, who in-

Earl, in addition to three other

All Black international players

- Warwick Taylor, at inside

centre, the full back, Robbie

Deans, and the lock, Albert

In addition, they have two uncapped All Black tourists in

the wing, Shayne Philpott, and

the hooker, John Buchan. The

quality of their backs is borne

out by the fact that the remainder of them have all

appeared in All Black trials.

appeared in All Black trials.

CAMERICATIVE Owners W Maurisial A McCormick, W Taylor, S Phalport, S Bachop, G Bachop, S Loe, J Buchen, K Pauling, A Earl, A Anderson (captam), C England, P Cropper, D Seymour.

SCOTLAND: G Hastings (London Scottish), T Stanger (Hawick), S Mastings (Watsonians), S Linean (Boroughmus), I Tellate (Schirk); C Crasmers (Mairosil), G Amesisca (Jod-lorgett), U Sale (Edmburgh Academicals, captain), K Milne (Herlot S), J Milne (Herlot S), J Milne (Herlot S), J White (London Scottish), B White (London Scottish), G Marshall (Selick), P Burnel (London Scottish), J Allan (Edinburgh Academicals).

Anderson, the captain.

But Snyman is quoted in The Times of Namibia as saying that despite their defeat of last Saturday his team will "massa cre" Wales in the second inter national. He said: "We learned something from them and we are going to take sweet revenge on Saturday. We performed weakly in lineouts, in scrums and rucks. We managed to solve our problems and our fans can expect running rugby. Things will be different as we will turn

Wales have been striving to attain some form of rhythm but have yet to achieve this goalfully. However, the signs are

Romania visit planned

ROMANIA, who contend with funds and as a result of fund lialy. Spain and The raising at matches.

Netherlands in October for a Romania will also benefit place in the 1991 World Cup, hope to prepare for the qualifying tournament with games in England carly next season (David Hands writes). Both Bath, the Pilkington Cup holders, and Leicester have been mentioned as possible oppo-nents, though no dates have yet

Bath, who visit Australia in August and entertain Toulouse in early autumn, are keen to play the Romanians if a convenient date can be arranged. They have already provided rugby equipment worth £4,000 to the Romanians from their own

Next season the AFA is expected to hold national com-

petitions in more prominent

venues, in London or other

At the start of its life, the De

Beaumont Centre was the only half in the world purpose-built

for fencing, with an under-ground wiring system for elec-tric foil and epee scoring and special non-flickering lights so that fencers were not put off

Now, however, as mainte-

nance costs have started to drain

the AFA's resources, the need for large competitions to be held

in bigger centres has become

British epée champion and an Olympic fencer in 1936. He was a devotee of fencing administra-tion who revived the sport from

De Beaumont was four times

later this month from the generosity of rugby supporters in Cumbria who, like Bath, played Steaua Bucharest when they were on tour here last in the wake of last Decem-

ber's revolution, 150 Romanian orphans were brought to the Cockermouth and Aspatria areas and the funds remaining from that venture will enable lan Nelson, the president of Cumbria, and a colleague to drive two wagons loaded with essential items to eastern Romania for distribution in orphan-ages specified by the Romanian Embassy.

SHOOTING

Better form

not enough

for Allan

ALISTER Allan, the Olympic

silver medal winner, seemed to

be back on form again at the UIT World Cup at Zurich when he reached his first final since the Seoul Olympic Games and

finished sixth overall against

some of the world's best (Our

Shooting Correspondent writes). Allan's initial 1,167 in

the three-positions rifle was not far behind the leaders but he

dropped back with only 95.6 for the final.

Adrian Breton, of Guernsey, set a British rapid fire pistol record of 587 for the 60 shots, but had to settle for eighth place.

with an overall total of 775.

Centre bows out with rousing final flourish

FENCING

men's epèc international being held this weekend, has attracted an entry which, according to the organisers, befits the last important competition to be held in the De Beaumont Centre, the national centre for British fencing in London (Lesley Drennan

Raiph Johnson, the national epèc champion, and Mike Corish, Jerry Melville and Roger Greenhaulgh, of the nat-ional squad, lead the field against European opposition, including a full Portuguese

The centre's 50-year-old lease, established by Charles De Beau-mont in 1962, is expected to be surrendered to its landlords, the Queen's Tennis Club, on July 31, as a result of a £750,000 deal between the Lawn Tennis Association and the Amateur



Grand

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A routines exhibition

BRITAIN'S best gymnasts will demonstrate rising standards in the sport by giving a com-prehensive display of their skills at Crystal Palace tomorrow. performers, including national champions and members of routines in artistic gymnastics.

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acrobatics at an event sponsored

by NatWest Among those appearing will be Neil Thomas and Sarah Mercer, the British artistic champions. Viva Seifert, the leading rhythmic gymnast - all of whom have won medals a recent international com-petitions — and Philippa Musikant, the world No. 3 in

vomen's tumbling. Group work in rhythmic gymnastics will be displayed by Coventry and Northampton the respective senior and junior national team champions. In sports acrobatics, combination work to music featuring gym-nasts in pairs, trios and fours will also be demonstrated.

ourse offering the closest and most spectacular viewing of any World Series course. Heats for all classes take place on Saturday, with the finals on Sunday. Racing starts at 10.30 and continues until around 6.30. This annual display, which includes pre-school and special needs gymnasis, confirms the growing popularity of all forms of the sport - competitive and policeman, will be looking to add to his first round win, although Welsh-man Jon Jones, with two world

Asmussen on In The Groove CASH Asmussen, runner-up in

the Derby on Blue Stag on Wednesday, hit the headlines again at Epsom yesterday. The reigning champion French jockey was not only announced as the jockey on In the Groove, the new favourite for Saturday's Oaks. Asmussen also met a masterly wasting race also rode a masterly waiting race when winning the Coronation Cup on In the Wings for Sheikh Mohammed and Andre Fabre.

cluded both John Gallagher The beaten favourite behind Carroll House in last autumn's and John Schuster for that match, and last year they Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe and runner-up to his stable compan-ion Creator in the Prix Ganay on his seasonal reappearance, the four-year-old In the Wings is now at last fulfilling the high hopes that have always been finished second to Auckland in the national championship. For tomorrow's match, they have listed the current All Blacks' scrum half, Graeme Bachop, and the flanker, Andy entertained for the Sadler's Wells colt.

Willie Carson made his bid

for fame when punching Observation Post past Ibn Bay early in the straight. But Asmussen always had the leaders firmly in his sights. After displaying a fine burst of acceleration to get on terms, the 15-8 favourite then went clear to win by 1½ lengths with Ibn Bey
the same distance away third.
Roscate Tern disappointed in
the dead going and finished a
well-beaten fourth.

After chipping a bone in his knee as a two-year-old in the Wings was unable to be trained wings was unable to be trained for last year's Derby. "I am now going to prepare him for the King George VI and Queen Elizabeth Diamond Stakes and after that the Arc," said Fabre.
"There is a possibility that he
might go for the Grand Prix de
Saint-Cloud first." Creator may
possibly be trained for the Eclipse Stakes.
In common with Wajd and

others in Fabre's 200-horse-power string at Chantilly, Cre-ator is coughing. "At the moment about half my older horses are affected."

Sheikh Mohammed, successful in the Oaks three times in the past five years, will now be without a representative tomor-row as Anthony Stroud an-nounced later in the afternoon that Henry Cecil's fluent Lupe Stakes winner, Moon Cactus, is to be re-routed from Epsom to the Prix de Diane (the French Oaks) on Sunday when she will be accompanied by her stable companion Rafha. "The principal reason is that

Moon Cactus is blind in her left eye, so she'll be better suited by right-handed Chantilly", said The late news about Moon

Cactus came too late to save in the Groove as a mount for Steve Cauthen. "I hung on as long as possible but it wasn't fair to

Epsom

Galling good to soft

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Pool, 14 Black Armorist, 16 Turbo-R, 20
Don't Give Up, Dresm Carrier, Foreign
Alliance, El Dominio (5th), 25 Young
Whistler (8in), 33 Flacoher (4th), 50 Chad
Green Screensuithus Bart Hotel Rosie, 17

3.45 HAMESON CORONATION CUP (Group 1: £81,045: 1m 4f)

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ALSO RAN: 5-2 Rossets Term (4th), 16 Mondrian (6th), Top Class (5th), 6 ran, NR: Caccethes, Limeburn, 11th, 11th, 15t, 15t,

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GAMME GOOD to soft

Willie Carson cruises to a six-length victory on John Dunlop's Moy River in the Staff Ingham Stakes at Epsom

anyone to delay things any longer," said David Elsworth. shape, I am not a betting man myself but I advise everyone to take the Burlington Bertie (100-30) if they can get it. The fact that the ground has eased has been the principal reason for our

What a thrilling race is promised for the fillies' premier classic. Both In the Groove and Salsabil are exceptionally talented fillies and Kartajana's obvious stamina is also bringing ber into the reckoning. William Hills now bave In the Groove as their clear favourite

at 2-1. Ladbrokes have in the at 2-1. Ladorokes have in the Groove and Kartajana as their joint favourite at 9-4. Salsabil is generally on offer at 5-2. John Dunlop's stable was in form when Carson rode Moy River to a comfortable win in

Ingham Stakes and afterwards Mark Campion, the assistant trainer, said:

Results from yesterday's two meetings

71 Whitelet at Westerby. 10 at 24,50; 21,90, 22,50, DF: 87,50, CSF; 286,99, Thosast 5325,19, 1mm 25,749ec. After a stewards inquiry the result stands.

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4.80 (Im 2) 1, LUCKY QUEST (W Carson, 18-8 km; Handenin'a napt; 2, Kaher (M Roberts, 100-30); 3, Snowspin (S Cauthen, 8-1), ALSO RAN: 7-2 Wald Gold (4th), 8 Mentraid, 20 Arabien Sience (6th), 33 Van Winkis, 60 Allure (6th), Poper's Legacy, 9 ran. 3, 21, 34, 41, 114, 1 Duritop at Arundal, Total 22, 10; 21.20, 21.70, Dr. 64.70, CSF; 27.53, 2min 11.06eec.

Justine 53,372 10. (Food of \$32,075.40)

Beverley

Quing good

2.15 (2m 40yd) 1, CRCLITT MING (W R
Swinburn, 5-1 h-lav); 2, Gazzymaz (D
Richols, 11-17, 3, Simply Swell (R Hills, 5-1), ALSO (RAN: 5 j-14v Gelloway Rantier
(Hill), 8 Spiritualist, Tongadin (Bith), I've
Gotta Tell Ya (5th), Bayford Energy, 11
Tall Measure, 12 Normhurst, 20 Matter Of
Law, 33 Carripo, 12 ran. 31, 31, 31, 16, 16.
P Calver at Ripon, Toter 24,90; 21.50,
26.50, 21.90, DF: 658.00, CSF; 255.42
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2.45 (st) 1, PANAMA PETE (K Darley, 11-4 fav); 2, Gorinsky (J Carroll, 5-1); 3, For Peta's Seize (M Birch, 9-1), ALSO RAN: 11-2 Joe Blow (5th), Deszam (4th); 13-2 Watto, 10 Sunday Sport Gern, 14 Satanto Prince, Tender Dencer, 16 Grey Realm, Luck's Changod, 20 Lissee (6th), Mits Messure, 25 Mits Pro Viston, 14 run. 3, 41, 151, nt, 51, M H Easterby at Matton, Total: 28.10; 22.00, 21.80, 24.30. DF: E13.10, CSF: 218.64, No bud.

3.20 (5f) 1. VINTAGE ONLY (M Birch, 2-1 |1-hpv); 2. La Massas (W Ryan, 9-2: 3. Time For The Blues (K Darley, 8-1). ALSO RAN: 2 |-lav Diston (8th), 15-2 Silken Seiled (4th), 25 Felcon's Domain (5th), 6 ran. Hd, 15i, 5h hd, 4i, %i. M H Essenty at Methan, 10te: £2.90; £1.70, £2.70. DF; £1.210. CSF; £70.44.

3.55 (7) 110yd) 1, TWOTINE BID (R Hills, 100-30 R-tayl: 2. Young Jeeop &

TODAY'S FIXTURES

DUBLIN: Instand v Worcestershire

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OTHER SPORT

SNOOKER: Asian Open qualifying rounds

championships and three wins at Bristol to his credit is generally considered as the favourite.

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HOW TO GET THERE: Bristol is reached by taking Junction 19 of the M4 onto the M32, which in hum runs directly into the city centre. All routes to the course on the City Docks are clearly signposted. Although there is no parking within the immediate vicinity of the course, various National Car Parks are located within easy walking distance, Bristol Temple Meads train station and the coach station also serve the city centre. Dockside standing is free, and seats available for £5 on Saturday and £7 or Sunday. Refreshment facilities are available.

TRY THIS

Denis Tingay's suggestion for a sporting day out

Pincepot: C375.40.

come through her preparation.
We're delighted that the ground
has eased. But we wouldn't want
much more rain as there's always the chance of a stamina

Cauthen misses out as Moon Cactus switches to France

The stewards held an inquiry into Moy River's improvement since the two-year-old's first outing at Goodwood, but post-poned the matter until tomorwhen Dunlop will be

Quest For Fame, Blue Stag and Elmaamul, the first three home in Wednesday's Derby, were all reported to have taken the race well yesterday."Quest For Fame has eaten up," said Roger Chariton. "He's got a slight scratch but it's nothing at serious. Both he and Sanglamore are in most of the good races. The Irish Derby now becomes an obvious target for Quest for Fame." At Epsom, Robert Sangster

said that Ireland's premier classic was now a definite objective for Blue Stag.

Perts, 100-30 (H-tav): 3, Smooth Flight (A Mackey, 10-1). ALSO RAN: 4 See Devis (4th), 11-2 Pattle's Gray (8th), 10 Classic Suite, 12 Puth', 14 Sey You Wil, 16 Laver, 20 Sabonis (5th), 25 Northern Rocket, 23 Danrab, 12 ran. NR: Wartz Oh Ar. 2, 24, 14, 2, ah nd. Mass S Hell at Miridisham. Tote: 25.80; 22.20, 21.30, 53.00. DF: 25.40, CSF; 215.75. Trossit: 259.44. 4.25 (1m 4f) 1, TYRONE BRIDGE (P Shanahan, 5-2; 2, Sesame (M Bort, 10-11 fav); 3, Pan E Salare (M A Glass, 33-1). ALSO RAN: 11-2 Monastery (4th), By Charter (5th), 100 Receid her (9th), 6 rin. 24, 3, 51, 25, 25, 8. M Pps at Walfington.

Tota: 03.70; 21.90, 21.50, DF: 22.10, CSF: 25.18.

4.55 (Im 2) 1. NOT YET (K Darley, 9-1); 2. Teach Above (G Carter, 7-2); 3. Rudde Cans (Dans Meilor, 20-1), ALSO RAN 9-4 fev Miss Reisun (4m), 11-2 Bush Hill (6th), Thimpairra (5th), 6 Mr Carte Calcomater, 98 Teach List Bush

16 Tread Like Prince, 25 Black Marketon, 23 Rhyming Kata. 10 rar. 14, 11, 214, sh hd. 114. E Wayman at Layburn. Total 26.00; 22.00, 21.60, 26.20, 07; 214.40. CSF: \$40.89. Treast 250.09.

Wednesday's

late results

Beverley

Going good
7.35 (5) 1. Furnist (M Birch, 5-8 lav): 2,
Kindara (12-1); 3, Miss B Arab (33-1), 7
ran. 2, 141. A Scott. Tota: 21-90; 21-40,
24.20. DF: 27-90. CSF: £11.47.
2.5 (1m 40) 1, Monards (T Quinn, 6-4
fav): 2, Chapman's Peak (3-1); 3, Spritt
Away (5-1), 7 ran. 11, 191. P Cole. Tota:
22.30; £1.60, £2.20. DF: £3.10. CSF:
£6.11.

8.35 (5f) 1. Cultinam (L. Detxori, 2-5 fav); 2. Viceroy (5-1); 3. Breezy Day (25-1). 10 run. 31, 1% L. Cumani. Tote: £1.50; £1.20, £1.40, £2.80. UF: £3.90. C3F: £2.96.

8.5 (2m 40yd) 1, Emeritus (T Quinn, 7-4 fev); 2, Spofforth (10-1; 3, Souter's Hill (5-1), 7 ran. 21, 11, P Cole. Tota: £1.60; £1.60, £3.20. OF: £5.70. CSF: £14.42. Woodhead

(8-1) withdrawn, not under orders — rule 4 apiles to all bets, deduction 10p in pound. Placapot: £80,00

Zoman, who failed to see out the 12-furlong trip when seventh

Derby, will revert to a mile for Goodwood's Sussex Stakes on

August 1, his trainer Paul Cole reported yesterday.

SPEEDWAY: Knockout Cup: Second round, first leg: Hackney v Eastbourne.

TENNIS: Direct Line tournament

SPOR I ON TV

BASEBALL: Screensport 1-3 and 9-11pm: Highlights of Major Leegue from the United States.

BOXING: Screensport 3-5 and 11pm; Professional events from the United

States
CRICKET: BBC1 10am-1pm, 1.50-2.20pm and 12.45-1.15pm, BBC2 2.20-5.25pm and BSB 8-10pm; First Control Test: Coverage and ingrights of the second dey from Trent Bridge.
EGUESTRIANSM: Screensport 9.30-11am; Show jumping: Highlights of the Matters Cop.

GOLP: Screensport 7-9am: Highlights of the Kemper Open Potomac boundment from the United States: 958 3.30-4.30pm and 11.30pm-midnight: 1989 US Open and US PGA Tour.

MOTORCYCLING: BSB 11-11.30pm; late of Man TT race.

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MOTOR SPORT: Eurosport 10-11am and
11pm-midnight: Highlights of the German
touring car championahips, Formula
One: Canadian Grand Prix and German
F3: Screensport 11am-1pm and 6-8pm:
Highlights of the NASCAR Winston Cup,
Budweiser 500 and ratigeness from
Finland: 888 6,30-7,30pm: 'On Fear
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POWERSPORTS INTERNATIONAL:

Screensport 8-9pm.
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2.30pm: 2.35, 3.05, 3.40 and 4.10 from

RUGBY LEAGUE: BSB 2-3.30pm: Austra-

tion league. SSB 1.25, 6.0, 7.30, 10.30 and midnisht.

and midnight, SPORTS PORTRAIT: BSB 4.30-6pm; Sports personally

Sports personality profile.

TENNIS- Eurosport 11em-7pm (combined with footbell), 7-9pm and 12-1em (tomorrow); Live coverage and further highlights of the Franch chaimplenships from Pans, TENPIN BOWLING: Screensport 515-8pm; Highlight of British matchiptay, fifth day.

day. TRANS WORLD SPORT: Eurosport

Wednesday's Ever Ready

cepat: £94,80.

Eddery suspended for whip offence

THE slings and arrows of outra-geous fortune overtook Pat Eddery at Epsom yesterday Fresh from his triumphs in

the French and English Derbys on Sanglamore and Quest For Fame, the champion jockey was suspended for three days for improper use of the whip on Lyndseylee in the Stanley Wootton Handicap.

forced the Jack Berrytrained three-year-old up to dead-heat with Maison Des Fruits with the third, Night At Sea, only a head away third. Eddery's suspension will run from June 16 to 18 inclusive. He misses Timeform Charity Day at York but returns for Royal

iceable how willingly his mount iceable how willingly his mount had responded to pressure.
Discussing the vexed question of jockeys' use of the whip, Peter Steveney, the senior stewards' accretary, said: "We entirely accept that Eddery was using his whip rhythmically, but we have a general guideline that we consider whether a jockey should be called in if he hits a horse more than 10 times."

been saying recently that the stewards are highly inconsistent, "We accept there are bound to be some inconsistencies with different panels of stewards." Steveney said. "But the jockeys want it to be done this way without any hard and fast

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Chance for Klute to put

the record straight

LESLEY Bruce has a long- later confirmed he wasn't right. I awaited chance to put the record straight at Catterick this afternoon when her 11-year-old stal-Validemosa in the Philip Cornes опа урееа Съще

In his only race to date, 22 months ago, Klute was beaten 25 lengths by So Careful, the subsequent Ayr Gold Cup winner, in a Haydock match. It was at the same Lancashire course two months earlier that

Klute had carved a niche in the record books by clocking a world best average speed of 44.91mph over half a furiong in a solo time trial. Bruce remains convinced that

Klute was a sick horse at the time of his match and regrets having run him when there were signs that all was not well. "Two days before the race he seemed dull in his behaviour, which was not like him at all. Blood tests taken at the time

ion. Klute, takes on stress of racing when sick." Even now she remains hopeful rather than certain that he is back to his very best. "I haven't pushed him all the way in his

work. It would be silly to leave the race behind on the gallops. wouldn't it?" Klute's opponent today is Validemosa, trained like So Careful by Jack Berry.

Validemosa has won only two of her 22 career starts but is a fair sprint handicapper and the bet-ting is certain to strongly favour the Cockerham representative. Whatever the outcome, today's match and all other sprint

cay's matea and an one; sprint races at the two-day meeting will provide interesting comparisons with Klute's world record as they will be timed in individual half-furlongs.

Record equalled by Dare

IN riding a double on Mendip nish Sawthan and Green Blos-Express and Osman Express at the South Poole Harriers pointto-point on Wednesday, Alison
Dare took her season's total to
20, so equalling Josephine
Bothway's record for women

The restricted open, Miss
Dare, on Osman Express, held
off the challenge of
Godersmistake by half a length. riders, established in 1974 (Brian Beel writes). What is more remarkable is

that Miss Dare's achievement was accomplished from only 27

surprisingly ducked out at the last and Miss Dare, hard at work on Mendip Express, found Cor-

went on to win by five lengths. Off the challenge of Godersmistake by half a length. SOUTH POOLE HARRIERS (Otter) St. Maryl Hunt: Another Fizz (Miss A Turner) walked over. Open: 1, Sign Post (A Wonnacott): 2, Admiral Benbow: 3, Gay Rhythm. 10 ran. Add: 1, Millistreet (I Henribly): 2, White Supreme; 3, Classical Lines. 7 ran. Ladles: 1, Mendip Express (Miss A Darre): 2, Corrish Sawthan; 3, Green Biossom. 9 ran. Read: 1, Osman Express (Miss A Darre): 2, Godersmissiale; 3, Sallor's Sharth; 15 ran. Midn: 1, Lee Valley (C Down): 2, Kenston Pride: 3, Royal Promise. 7 ran.

BASEBALL

after less than a year

Dent the heave-no.

The Yankees have the poorest won-lost record (18-30) in the big leagues, but they remain within striking distance of first place in the American League Least — er, East — division.

In the Big Apple, having to play second fiddle to hated Boston is bad enough, but playing seventh fiddle to the likes of Detroit and Cleveland is designing to the likes of Detroit and Cleveland is for 10 months.

Ramon Martinez, of the Los Angeles Dodgers, who is an ordinary 6ft 4in, struck out an extraordinary 18 Atlanta Braves, equalling the club record, in a 6-0 victory. Marti-

the most of a chance with the Pittsburgh Pirates. He moved into the starting rotation in mid-May when John Smiley injured a hand. Patterson beat the Chicago Cubs 6-2 this week and improved his record to four wins and one defeat with the National League East leaders. The batting average of Len Dykstra, of the Philadelphia Phillies, reached .418. Atlanta chose the shortstop Atlanta cnose the snorsons, Chipper Jones, a Florida school-boy, with the first turn in the amateur draft. The No. 1 prospect, Todd Van Poppel, who has

Texas. Oakland took a chance and drafted him fourteenth. Joe Morgan, the manager of Boston, has been suspended for three games for comments he made after a brushback bande with Cleveland.

downright intolerable. Dent, aged 38, was dismissed on Wednesday after the club had lost nine of 10 games. Stump Merrill, a minor-league skipper, replaced Dent, who held the job

League in more than three years.

Dent leaves Yankees

THESE days in New York, taking the wrong subway after midnight is almost safe compared to being a major-league manager. Last week the Mets dismissed Davey Johnson; this week the Yankees gave Bucky Dent the heave-ho.

This is a tall tale, but every word of it is true. Most pro-fessional pitchers stand 6ft 3in; few deviate from that height by more than one inch. At 6ft 10in, Randy Johnson, of the Seattle Mariners, is the lankiest pitcher in major-league history. He turned in a towering performance when he beat Detroit 2-0, throwing the first complete-game no-hitter in the American

nez yielded three hits. Bob Patterson, aged 31, is a model of perseverance. Having experienced only the briefest of big-league look-sees during the last eight seasons, he is making

a 95mph fastball, shunned the professionals because he plans to pitch for the University of

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In-form Hateel to defy penalty

FOLLOWING that easily achieved victory in the London Gold Cup at Newbury less than three weeks ago, Hattel, from Peter Walwyn's in-form Lambourn stable, is napped to win the Northern Dancer Handicap at

In common with three of his six opponents, Hateel must now carry a 31b penalty for winning since the weights for this valuable race were published early last month. Yes even with that penalty, he is 61b better in today than he will

improved with age, Hateel has Also, today's race is likely to looked a better horse this year. Suit Hateel better than Coldburger who was last seen He began the season by winning comfortably at Haydock. Then he was runner-up to the Rosebery winner Salisbury.
Starlet in the City & Suburban On the c

By Mandarin

2.35 Tidemark.

4.10 So Careful 4.45 Spode's Blue.

Going: good to soft

3.05 Lift And Load

2.00 Heard A Whisper.

.40 HATEEL (nap).

track in April, but not over today's longer distance which will suit Hatcel better. Next time out Hateel re-

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gained the winning trail at Newbury where he beat the subsequent Sandown winner First Victory more easily than the official margin of 21/2 lengths might indicate Even after making every

allowance for the fact that this was First Victory's first run of the season, it was still a tidy performance on Hateel's part. Importantly, it produced a form line, using First Victory and Nikatas, which suggests that Hateel should have just sufficient in hand to beat the joint top weight Goldbuster

Goldbuster, who was last seen beating Nikatas by four lengths over 14 miles at

On the corresponding occa-

By Our Newmarket Correspondent

2.00 The Old Firm.

3.05 Boy Emperor.

4.45 Spode's Blue.

2.35 Tidemark.



Peter Walwyn: high hopes for Hateel

trainer Reg Akehurst saddled Gaasid and Gulf Palace to finish first and second. Today. this pair will be joined in the line-up by stable companion Barrish.

meeting him on 111b better Newmarket. terms for a length and half. Yet Gulf Palace is now only 2lb better off for an identical defeat at Goodwood last month at the hands of Silver

As for Barrish, he was last seen running well over two miles at Kempton. Well that Bean King, the only other runner, won at York on his seasonal debut, I still feel that today's opposition, headed by Hatcel and Goldbuster, will be much harder to beat.

As far as the Sun Life Of Canada Handicap is concerned, I rather like the look of Lift And Load's chance now that is finally being given an opportunity to prove himself over a distance in keeping with his pedigree.

Even over shorter trips be

While on the subject of pedigrees, Spode's Blue, my choice to win the Alberta Rose Maiden Fillies Stakes, should appreciate today's trip, having been predictably outpaced over a lesser distance by the useful Local Lass at Leicester earlier this week.

Redden Burn (8.55), who has been entered already for Royal Ascot's Coventry Stakes, is the principal reason for Steve Camhen's presence this evening at Goodwood where he can also capture the Cowdray Handicap on Take Heart, a previous course and distance winner.

Lover's Moon, my selection for the Charlton Hunt Handicap, is running for the first time since he beat the recent French Derby winner Sanglamore at Leicester as two-vear-old.

GOODWOOD :

Selections

By Mandarin 6.30 Bridal Toast. 7.0 Lover's Moon. 7.25 Tyrian Belle. 7.55 Take Heart. 8.25 Marasol. 8.55 Redden Burn.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent 6.30 Bridal Toast. 7.0 Busted Rock. 7.25 Perion. 7.55 Point Taken. 8.25 Noble Fellow. 8.55 Redden Burn.

The Times Private Handicapper's top rating 7.0 LOVER'S MOON.

Going: good Draw: 5f-1m, high numbers best 6.30 COURT HILL STAKES (3-Y-O: £4,059: 1m 2f) (2

1 12-3 WIEDAL TOAST 25 (F) L. Cumen 9-5... 2 0(21 WAATNO 11 (F) A Scott 9-1...... 1-4 Bridge Toest, S-1 Weating.

7.0 CHARLTON HUNT HANDICAP (E3,552: 1m 4f)

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4-5 Lover's Moon, 3-1 Charden, 11-2 Tiger Claw, Daddy's Darling, 8-1 Super Gunner, 12-1 Run High, 15-1 others. 7.25 WEST DEAN CLAIMING STAKES (£2,978: 51)

Course specialists

TRANSERS: H Cool. 37 warmers from 92 runners. 40.2%; G Hansood. 47 from 170, 27 6%; D Marray Smith, 3 from 17, 27.3%; Mrs L Pagots, 4 from 17, 23.5%; L Current, 22 from 97, 22.7%; C Nelson, 6 from 36, 16.7%.

7.55 COWDRAY HANDICAP (£4,108: 7f) (19) 4 S-31 TAKE HEAR? 17 (CD,F) D Elseorth 44-11 S Candison 16

18 60-2 EMPIRE JOY 7 C Horgen 5-8-8 W Casson 10 19 8000 CUT UP ROUGH 17 (F) L Courst 6-6-2 T Williams 3 9-4 Take Heart, 3-1 Nawwar, 5-1 Highest Praise, 8-1 Storm vs, Mizzwarz, 12-1 Cao-En-Cee, 14-1 others.

8.25 ST ROCHE'S CLAIMING STAKES (3-Y-O:

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6 024 NOBLE FELLOW 28 (8,87) B Harboury 8-9 G Raymond 17
7 -445 USA DOLLAR 11 (8) 8 Gubby 8-8. G. D. Maller 4
8 0394 ALDWICK COLONBIADE 18 M Usher 9-6
9 8480 MARASOL 7 (0,F) J Dunido 8-6. W Carnine 9
10 4-45 ANTICUE ANDY 82 D Miscray Smith 8-5. R Warnine 8
11 56-0 MICHIGH 21 M Usher 8-2. T Williams 15
12 50-0 MICHIGH 21 M Usher 8-2. R Feet 14
13 50-P ZIVINAGO'S PASSION 22 J Bridger 8-2. N Admins 8
14 -200 PLAY THE BLUES 14 B Harboury 8-0. R South (7) 10
15 6-05 THE ISLAND 21 (5) M HAPPES 5-0. R South (7) 10
15 6-05 THE ISLAND 21 (5) M HAPPES 5-1 Marasol, 8-1 Mis-

5-2 Noble Fellow, 7-2 insultive Jos. 5-1 Marasol, 8-1 Mile Chair, 12-1 Fighting Brave, USA Coller, 14-1 others. 8.55 CARNES SEAT MAIDEN STAKES (2-Y-O:

£2,933: 6f) (12)

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TERICK SRIDGE: 4.25 Pretty Super, 5.25: Second To Nome THAMELL: 3.30 Dentz: 5.30 Shatura Blend, 6.0 Shay ION/OOD: 7.25 Hot Hope, 8.25 Noble Fellow, HAYDOCI K: 7.15 Sandangor Cotton, 7.45 Ardia, 8.15 Pramier Dance

CATTERICK BRIDGE

Selections By Mandarin

2.15 Validemosa. 2.45 Calvanne Miss. 3.15 Model Village. 3.50 Mississippi Beat. 4.25 Active Movement. 4.55 Tour Eiffel. 5.25 Love Street.

By Our Newmarket Correspondent 3.15 Invitation Waltz. 3.50 Fugler's Folly. 4.55 Tour Eiffel. 5.25 Figment.

Going: good to firm Draw: 51-71, low numbers best 2.15 PHILIP CORNES WORLD SPEED CHAL-LENGE (No penalty value: 5f) (2 runners)

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245 SCORTON SELLING HANDICAP (\$2,553: 61)

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8 4050 BIBANTS INSET 44 J Braidley 5-9-4..... A Tracker (7) 1
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11 0000 MISTER'S SETER 27 M Jackston 3-9-1... R P Elliott 5
11 0000 MISTER'S A DOUBLE 11 (CD,P) R Hollenshad 5-9-0 G Paidin (7) 13 12 00-0 EREAK LOOSE 15 (6,D,Q) D Chaptrain 4-3-12 13 6-34 TEXAB SLUE 38 M British 3-8-10....

3-1 Calvenne Miss, 4-1 Hineri Hi Fl, 5-1 Singing Star, 6-1 Predictable, 8-1 Susan's Reel, Mine's A Double, 10-1 others. 3.15 MERRYBENT GRADUATION STAKES (3-Y-O fillies: £2,394: 7f) (3) 1 INVITATION WALTE 25 (D.G) L CA

6-4 Model Vitiage, 7-4 Invitation Weltz, 5-2 Last Blessing.

Course specialists TRAINERS: H Coci., 7 witners from 16 numers, 43.8%; L Current, 10 from 25, 35.7%; B Hills, 14 from 43, 32.6%; M Strute, 6 from 21, 28.6%; P Cole, 8 from 29, 27.6%; A Street, 5 from 21, 23.8%.

JOCKEYS: J Carroll, 19 winners from 106 rides, 17.9%; M Hills, 8 from 45, 17.8%; R hills, 8 from 34, 17.8%; M Birch, 37 from 228, 16.4%; T Quinn, 4 from 27, 14.8%; J Fortune, 4 from 30, 13.3%.

3.50 Leslie Petch Handicap (3-y-0: £2,448: 1m 5f 180yd) (11) 1 5-30 ALLEZ-COPS 11 Jenny Fitzgenid 9-7 K Fallon 6 2 4222 FINGLER'S FOLLY 11 W Hagges 9-6 M Hills 19 3 00-0 COUTURE HONOVATORS 41 P Maids 8-12

3 00-0 COUTURE MONOVATORS 41 P Maids 8-12

4 6636 CALL RACECALL 11 C Thorston 8-10. J Blesschie 5

5 0-04 PRINSTRELLE 31 J Scarge 8-7 M A Cales (5) 2

6 2800 EQUINOR 51 R Bennett 8-5 M Ryen 5

7 0-00 BLUSHING RED 20 N Bycroft 8-5 L Charteck 8

8 0482 MISSISSIPPI BEAT 6 (87) M Mauginon 6-4 A filtero 9

9 4400 KNIGS MEETING 11 M Britain 8-2 M

10 0-65 ZEPHYR MIGHTS 25 I Campbel 7-11 F Nortes (7) 11

11 -500 SKY FIGHTER 13 J H Wilson 7-7 Q Hand (5) 7 11-4 Fugler's Folly, 7-2 Call Racecall, 9-2 Mississippi Seel Equinor, Allaz-Cope, 8-1 Pipistrelle, 12-1 others.

1.25 GILLING MAIDEN FILLIES STAKES (2-Y-O: £2,413: 50 (10)

PALLYRAIN P Cois 8-11 Tombole 8-11

BALLYRAIN P Cois 8-11 T Coise 8

COUNTAIN STREET T Serror 8-11 K Felter 7

COUNTAIL LEGISTO 21 J Hills 6-11 K Felter 7

COUNTAIL LEGISTO 21 J Hills 6-11 K Hills 1

CONTROL LEGISTO 21 J Hills 6-11 K Hills 1

CONTROL LEGISTO 2 STREET STREET SUPPLY STREET STREET

7-4 Active Movement, 2-1 Star Connection, 5-1 Ter. IGes, 7-1 Bellyrein, 8-1 Graceland Ledy, 12-1 others.

1.55 SCOTCH CORNER MAIDEN SWEEPSTAKES (£2,554: 1m 4f 40yd) (6) OLDE CYDER 24J J Bradley 5-8-8...

DANIERI 10 M Stoute 3-8-5...

LEOTARD A Street 3-8-5...

ESTARY TALENT 13 W Happes 3-8-6...

TOUR EFFEL H Cecil 3-8-6....

7-4 Dooler, 5-2 Tour Effel, 4-1 Denesh, 11-2 Leotard, 7-1 Raw Tislem, 33-1 Olde Cyder.

5.25 JERVAULX HANDICAP (3-Y-O: £2,490: 51)

1 5-25 LOVE STREET 24 P Cols 9-7 T Galam 9
2 05-0 CALAHOMDA DAVE 13 D Chapman 9-5 K Fallon 11
3 -582 MANOTEP 8 A Robmon 9-5 K Hodgaca 7
4 6-35 SECOND TO NONE 14 (8 J. Berry 9-5 J. Carroll 8
5 005 LADY ALONE 15 J Carroll 8-9 A Mission 2
8 -005 LADY ALONE 15 J Carroll 8-9 A Mission 2
8 -005 LADY ALONE 15 J Carroll 8-9 A Mission 2
8 000 LA PLACE 267 D Chapman 8-2 N Commonton 1
9 054 PRIMERY DOWNLS 51 J H Wission 8-4 C Mission 3
10 0004 EHEBA'S PAL 11 G Blum 7-9 M Carollisms (5) 16
11 00-0 MEEDWOOD NIGHTLEFE 18 B Monyan 7-8 C Hadgash (7) 8

SOUTHWELL

Selections

3.30 Donovan Rose, 4.0 Waad, 4.30 Tamise, 5.0 Mr Moccasin, 5.30 Longshoreman, 6.0 The nahan Bay. By Our Newmarket Correspondent

3.30 Xafu Xafu. 4.0 Waad. 4.30 Grey Wolf. 5.6 Tristan's Comet. 5.30 Certain Creator. 6.0 The Shanahan Bay.

Going: standardDraw: 51-71, low numbers best 3.30 CADOGAN HANDICAP (\$2,679: 7f) (16

4.30 BLOOMSBURY MAIDEN GUARANTEED SWEEPSTAKES (3-Y-O: £2,060: 71) (16)

5.0 GROSVENOR HANDICAP (3-Y-O: £2,595: 1m)

5.30 CARLYLE MAIDEN GUARANTEED SWEEP

1 000 SHAKORA BLEND 11-J (V) R Dickin 5-9-7 D Mereddis (7) 8
2 SAM TROJAN DEBUT 25 (8F) R Juckes 4-9-7 — 2
3 B/O REVEREND MOTHER 48 N Kernek 4-9-2 R Street 5
4 9-00 SOUND MUSIC 13 R Armstroog 4-9-2 8 Creatly 1
5 9 ARMED FORCE 10 C O/269 3-8-5 8 Creatly 1
6 52 CERTAIN CREATOR 20 John Piz/Geneld 3-8-5 8 Riverses 18

5-2 Longshoremen, 3-1 Society Bell, 4-1 Certain Creator, 7-1 Gifterbird, 10-1 Trojan Debut, 12-1 others.

1 0041 DISTANT HELEN IN (TANY) FOR ENTRY S HERITAGE 2 0502 THE SHANAHAK BAY 11 (B,CD,F) E ENTRY 5-9-4. A Mackey 12

G Carter 17
11 5214 BECCONGHAM BEN 21 (R.D.F.S) J Loigh \$-8 J Outen \$
12 | 60- SPITZABIT 398 (G) Per Minches 5-8-8

12 /60- SPITZABIT 398 (G) Per Minches 5-8-5 Julia Bowton (S) 14
13 5505 MINIMORNS 13 (V.D.Q.S) P Folgate 4-8-4 M Carries 1
14 0000 NAGEN 53 (F) L Burnst 7-8-0 M Proad 16
5 -042 ALWAYS TRESURE 111 J Building 4-7-10
Claim Baiding (7) 2
4 cmt. Culti Million 200 L Minimorbith 5-7-7

18 900- SURA MUSIC 280 J Walneright 5-7-7. I Girl Trakfer 11 18 900- VENDREDI TREUZE 149J (G) \$ Bowning 7-1-7 Kirl Beeching (7) 7

11-2 Rednet, 6-1 Crakatu, 7-1 The Shanahan Bay. Un-tertones, 9-1 Distant Ruler, 10-1 Aways Treasure, 12-1 others.

6.0 BARCLAY HANDICAP (£2,826; 5f) (18)

(Corney & Corney & Co

STAKES (£2,060: 1m 4f) (11)

By Mandarin

1 3011 SHALL PEE 13 (CD,S) M Britisin 5-10-3 S Minkeney (S) 10
2 4415 DONOVAN ROSE 7 (F,G,S) J Berry 5-8-13 ... K Derkey 7
3 0-12 ATTCH WIBEE 13 (CD,RF,G,S) Lucy Herrise 7-8-13
4 0000 HANSOM LAD 20 CC) W Haleh 7-9-10 ... B Grossley 13
5 1294 LONDON STANDARD 27 P Witchel 5-9-5 G Duffield 14
8 4175 LASCHA 718 (D,BC) M Bell 4-9-1 ... A Clark 6
10 000 SANGER MASON 45 D YOUTER 4-9-0 Bell Michael 14
8 000 CHARRON GRIL 9 (C,F) A Belley 4-8-9 ... J Clark 9
9 2005 CHARRON GRIL 9 (C,F) A Belley 4-8-9 ... J Clark 11
10 0003 FILICANA 6 (F) E Incost 4-8-8 ... Kim Trakter 3
11 2000 DETATZ 6 (V,S) C Holmas 8-8-6 ... Kim Trakter 3
12 -000 MCFADOR 14 (G,S) F Las 6-8-4 ... R Lappain (S) 5
13 -000 ELOFAHART 10 (P) L Berratt 4-7-13 ... A Shoutte 8
14 0(00 VALTEY MRLLS 26 (D,F,G,S) T Berron 10-7-13
2 Wood (S) 15 14 0/00 VALLEY MILLS 25 (D.F.G.S.) | Burron 10-7-13 S Wood (5) 15 15 00-0 RESHWOOD GIRL 13 (D.G.) K Bridgwiller 4-7-9 A Proud 16

4.0 BELGRAVE SELLING STAKES (2-Y-O: £2,579:

7-2 Down The Middle, 9-2 Fill The Sail, 5-1 Weed, 8-1 morack Gambia, 7-1 Pineir Legand, 10-1 others.

Course specialists

TRANIERS: C Nelson, 3 winners from 5 runners, 50.0%; Lady Hernes, 4 from 9, 44.4%; T Barron, 20 from 53, 37.7%; E Biden, 3 from 9, 37.5%; M Prescott, 3 from 10, 30.0%; A Besley, 3 from 24, 12.6%. JOCKEYS: G. Dulfield, B. winners from 59 rides, 13.6%; B. Maioney, 7 from 55, 12.7%; G. Certer, 7 from 55, 12.7%; S. Wood, B. from 70, 11.4%; Dean McKeown, 4 from 40, 18.0%, (Only Beverley stewards fine Thompson and Elliott

RON Thompson, the Doncaster trainer, and jockey Bobby Elliott were each fined £600 for failing to run Daazam on its merits in the Eton Selling Stakes at Beverley yesterday.

Dazzam, who eased in the betting from 3-1 to 11-2, finished just over five lengths fourth to Panama Pete, the 11-4 favourite. Watto, Thomp-

son's other runner, was solidly supported from 10-1 to 13-2 but finished only tenth. Thompson, clearly upset by the fine, is planning to appeal. Elliot said: "My orders were to do my best but in no circumstances to hit the filly as she was in season."

Daazam was claimed for 6,200 guineas by Bill O'Gorman, the Newmarket trainer, but later returned to Thompson in a private deal.

Vintage Only, trained by Peter Easterby, is a probable runner in the Windsor Castle Stakes at Royal Ascot after winning the GRP Massey Two

(MICHAEL PHILLIPS)

Epsom today.

be in future handicaps.

Like his sire, Kalaglow, who

EPSOM

Selections

By Michael Seely 2.35 Tidemark. 3.05 Boy Emperor. 3.40 HATEEL (nap). The Times Private Handicapper's top rating: 3.15 WAAJIB.

Draw: 5f-7f, high numbers best; 1m, 110yd, low numbers best

BETTING: S-1 Billy Lomond, 7-2 Mighty Dragon, 9-2 Heard A Whisper, 5-1 Jimill, 8-1 The Old Fin 10-1 Iven The Terrible, Toma Prospect, 16-1 Swift Romance.

1989: DUCK AND DIVE 9-0 B Rouse (B-13 fev) R Hannon 5 ran

FORM FOCUS HEARD A WHISPER ridden and one paced when about 91 5th of 7 to Distinctly North at Goodwood (51, good to firm).

BILLY LOMOND (aume terms) attaying on to be 15 to 14 to 15 to 15 to 14 to 15 to 15 to 16 to 17 to 17

BETTING: 11-4 Tidement, 7-2 Sestern Whisper, 4-1 Maryland Wille, 5-1 Bilocal, 8-1 Crystal Beam, 10-1 Faming Glory, 14-1 Magic Crystal, 16-1 Kind.
1988: RUN DONT FLY R-S T Culton (5-1) F Colo 6 nan

FORM FOCUS MARYLAND WELLE best high Plateau 7 is a Selection; If M. 4f, firm) chitost. MAGE CRYSTAL thomas one paced 45f 3rd of 17 is a Selection; (im 4f, firm) maiden.

TENEMARK much most to best Correl Sundown 25i is to Diamond Shoes at Selection; (im), Bi-FOCAL 12 10ft of 11 to Werm Freeing at Linguistic Report on well to best Calgory Redown in a Selection; TIDEMARK

3.5 SUN LIFE OF CANADA HANDICAP (3-Y-O: £7,035: 1m 2f) (8

| 201 (5) 44112-0 HATIVE TRIBE 29 (7) (Mrs J Beeby) B Harbury 9-7 B Reyword 202 (1) 022-22 MINIMITEE 17 (R Stremmon) L Current 9-3 L Despot 303 (2) 225-15 DASHBIG SENOR 20 (C.DF.G) (Sneith Al-Maispurn) A Stewart 9-3 M Roberts 304 (6) 2251-04 LIFT AND LOAD 25 (5) (G Howert-Spick) R Hannon 9-2 Put Eddery 305 (7) 0153-6 SHEPASSEND 25 (7) (D Sieth) C Britain 9-0 R Cockesses 305 (5) 343-102 KINGTS SHELLING 36 (F) (P Melon) I Belding 8-13 B Caudhen 307 (2) 04-4 807 EMPEROR 43 (J Graethern) M Stoute 9-6 W R Swinburn 308 (4) 033-013 EL VOLADOR 17 (F) (M Garrido) M Chronon 6-3 W Carson 6-3 W

BETTING: 3-1 Minimize, 7-2 Say Emperor, 9-2 El Voledor, 11-2 Lift And Load, 8-1 King's Shilling, Native Tribe, 12-1 Destring Senor, 15-1 Surpassing. 1989: APRIVID 6-4 Pat Eddary (5-2 fav) M Stoute 11 ran

Selections

6.45 PENNY LANE MAIDEN AUCTION STAKES (2-Y-O: £3,134: 5f) (17 runners)

PARTY'S OVER (M Strong) M British 9-0.

8434 SHEPHERDYS SONG 25 Ft Macgragor) W Pearca 9-0

2 ANONOALTO 32 (Carriageway Racing Ltd) Ft Stubbs 8-11.

2 NEWER IN THE RED 13 Ft Aird), J Berry 8-11.

AUGHTON ROBE (Mrs.) J Normany M O'Nell 8-6.

43 RUSHY DOFF 44 (J Brown) J Berry 8-3

ELECTROLET (J Abbey) B McMainton 8-0.

24 IT 24 (E Smith) B Praces. 8-0.

ELECTROLIET (J Abbey) B McMahon 8-0

34 RT 24 (E Smith) B Presco 8-0

LADY TALECA (Tapin Lee & Cain Lid) F Lee 8-0

PENNY MINT (A Norman-Thorps) J Einstoo 6-0

23 SCENTED GOODESS 8 (SF) (B Maloney) R Hannon 8-0

CHERRY DANCE (A WAson) C Thornton 7-11

5 DOLLY 800 11 (A Nicholson) M H Eastarby 7-11

6 GODS GIFT 20 (D Nory) K Nory 7-11

PRINCESS MONOLULU (M Jackson) J Haffarison 7-11

35 VITTORIA GLEINT 53 (R Giann) R Holder 7-11

25 VITTORIA GLEINT 53 (R Giann) R Holder 7-11

7.15 PADDOCK HANDICAP (E4,370: 6f) (13 runners)

BETTING: 5-2 Scannad Goddese, 7-2 Never in The Red, 9-2 Party's Over, 6-1 Mushy Bolf, 15-2 Sa Deete, 8-1 Shephard's Song, 10-1 others. 1988: RANNOCH HOUSE 7-9 K Brownsword (33-1) T Fairburs) 11 : et

By Mandarin

6,45 Scented Goddess.

7.15 Duckington. 7.45 Line Of Vision.

8.15 Owt On. 8.45 Tell No Lies.

Going: good

2.0 EBF FLEMINGTON MAIDEN STAKES (2-Y-O: £2,651: 6f) (8 runners)

5 BILLY LOROND 21 (Atra B Burchett) R Hannon 9-0...
5 HEARD A WHISPER 18 (D Barker) G Lawle 9-0...
6 IVAN THE TERRIBLE 21 (Lord Sondes) P Cole 9-0...
4 HIGHTY DRAGON 21 (Atra M Lindlard) J Duning 9-0...
34 SWIFT ROMANCE 30 (Atra N Dutteld) B Milman 9-0.
0 TOMS PROSPECT 20 (F Ward) C Nation 9-0...
THE OLD FIRM (T Foreman) N Calaspan 8-11...
42 JMLH. 27 (J Knowles) B Paling 8-9...

2.35 KENTUCKY HANDICAP (3-Y-O: £4,500: 1m 4f) (8 runners)

201 (5) 8-21 MARYLAND WILLIE T7 (D,F) (K Al-Said) D Eleworth 9-7.

202 (7) 566-514 CRYSTAL SEAM 25 (6) (R Whalloy) P Kellewey 9-7.

203 (7) 19-01 TEDEMARK 7 (F) (N Crossimesiss) L Current 9-8 (4ex).

204 (6) SST21-6 FLAMMIG GLORY 25 (G) (F Seimen) M Self 9-2.

205 (4) 035-0 KINO 53 (Downger Ledy Benverbrook) C British 8-11.

206 (3) 11 EASTERN WHISPER 32 (D,F) (K Higson) Denya Smith 8-16.

207 (2) 0-40 MAGIC GRYSTAL 25 (W Gredley) John FitzGerald 8-8.

208 (6) Q04-116 ESPCCAL 80 (C Sparrowinski) R Alchuret 7-12.

has still run well on most occasions, the most recent being when he finished fourth On a point of handicapping Handicap, run on today's sion 12 months ago, local Gulf Palace should beat 3.40 NORTHERN DANCER HANDICAP (222,387: 1m 4f) (7 runners) (

1982: GAASID 4-8-7 W.R. Swintum (10-1) R. Alestuset 16 cm

FORM FOCUS COLDBUSTER ran on Model of the Mo

4.10 TOKYO TROPHY HANDICAP (28,846: 61) (14 runners)

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501	(8)	630-403	RESTORE 11 (B,D,F,Q,S) (Mrs S Khen) G Lewis 7-10-0 Paul Eddary	!
502	(13)		LUCEDED 13 (D.F.O) (T Coleman) J Spearing 6-9-13	1
503	(3)		VISRY ADJACENT 20 (D,F) (J Leurence) L Cottrell 5-6-5 Date Gibson (3)	1
504	(12)		JOE SUGDEN 2 (F,S) (B Aller) P Howling 6-9-4	1
505	(2)	0010-00	ASHTHIA 15 (C.D.F.C.S) BACK S Joyner) J Subside 5-9-2	1
	04	6-01510	DENSSEN 24 (D,F,G,S) (Mrs. J. Pilo) Danys Sman 6-9-2	1
607	(9)		LETSBECHESTABOUTH 7 (B.D.F) (S Roots) Mrs N Macauloy 4-8-2 (Sex) N Adema	1
	(10)		80 CAREFUL 9 (D.F.G.S) (P Williams) J Berry 7-5-1 (Sax) Pat Eddery	1
	(6)		COPPERSULL LAD 42 (D.F.S) (Mrs. J Sergood) L Holt 7-8-10 B Rouse	
510		6-22111	SPORTING SMON 2 (D.F.S) (Mrs N Dutleich) B Milman 5-6-10 (Sex) G Berdwell	-
511	m		JUVENARA 11 (O.F.) (Mrs A Fayers) R Hodges 4-7-13	1
512	(4)		HARRY'S COMMING 13 (D.F.O.S) (Mrs D Wetherst) R Hodges 6-7-10 W Carson	1
	(11)		BAYSHAM 6 (B.BF) (W Burn) B LOWING 47-7 T Williams	1
	(D)		MARIEN SUDDER 2 (D.F.C) (1 Hollins) D Wilson 8-7-7	1

ndicap: Maiden Bidder 6-9. BETTRES 9-2 Sporting Simon, 11-2 Joe Supden, 6-1 So Carefut, 7-1 Lucadeo, 8-1 Herry's Coming, Lats-necesbouilt, 10-1 Juvenara, 12-1 Baysham, 14-1 Rectore, Very Adjacent, 16-1 others. 1909: GALLANT HOPE 7-8-4 W Carnon (6-1) i., Cottrell 14 ren

FORM FOCUS YERY ADJACENT 2 stated Empire Joy 2 off an 11b lower mark on issant start in Goodwood hendicto (6f, good to firm). SO buy (8f, good to firm) with LETSSEGNESTABOUTT (10b worse off) 51 7th of 18. JOSE SUBGRISH makes cluck responsance after firishing creditable head 2nd to Milami Barker here (6f, good) on Wednesday; on Wednesday; previously occupied same place behind R.A. Express when beaten 15tl at Chester (5f, good). A Express when beaten 15tl at Chester (5f, good). Croft-ser's Ches 31 at haydock (8f, firm) with 80 CAMERU.

(7b beater off) 15tl 7th. LETSSEGNESTABOUTT (2b) Selection: JOSE SUBGRISH

AS A LETCHA PLOYER MARKEN SEL LEDS CRAFT.

JOSE SUBGRISH (2b) with LUCEDED (2b) better off) 15tl 6tl.

Lingfield (5f) with LUCEDED (2b) better off) 15tl 3tl.

	(UDDOES)	(IA HOSE MADER FILLES STARES (5-1-0 miles: 25/045 mil 1 (n)d) (
ı	601 (13)	8 DANCER'S FIRST 15 (R Cox) G Lovis 8-11 Paul Eddary -
	602 (9)	D- FRE THE GROOM 216 (R Duchoseois) L Cumari 8-11 L Datteri -
ı	603 (3)	0-6 HEARTHRUG 15 (D Aylstoyd) P Wahyn 8-11
	604 (7)	32- MSTANT DEBRE 246 (Existing Function M Monthernic S-11
	605 (6)	22 MOUNT DA 13 (R A Bott Lid) C Nelson 8-11
	BOS (11)	0 PHARMOPI 49 (R Lamb) C Sensteed 5-11
	607 (2)	8-4 PUMPTON 15 (Airs E Option White) T Thomson James 6-11 S Whitesorth
	603 (1)	4- SINGENG 218 (BF) (K Abdute) B Hitle 9-11
	609 (4)	6- SOPHIA GARDERS 236 (R Michaelson) I Baking 6-11 W R Swindows -
	610 (10)	522 SPODE'S BLUE 4 (SF) (Mrs L Webb) B Harbury 8-11 B Reymond 4
	611 (5)	245- TAULELA 264 (Mrs A Upschill) D Elsworth 8-11 S Caution
	612 (12)	6-8 TODA 34 (Exprs Mrs J de Rothschild) R Johnson Houghton 8-11 B Reuse
	813 (6)	IG-42 ZIZANIA 15 (A Saced) C British 6-11
		7.9 Secretic Dies 9.9 Microst Ide 5.1 Starting 13.9 Fire The Groom 6-1 Instant Desi

Hearthrug, 12-1 Zizenia, 14-1 Taulaia, 16-1 Todo, 20-1 others.

Course specialists JOCKEYS

By Our Newmarket.

Correspondent

6.45 Anoncalto. 7.15 Anthony Loretto.

Draw: 5f-6f, high numbers best

45 TELL NO LIES (nap).

JCarroll J Porture (5)

> _ JLowe dy (T)

FORM FOCUS AMMENTED ROOM on to be 22 and of 18 to 5 to Rectifion a set in 17 12 150yd. firmt. BOY Yeaffous at Beverley (1m 100yd, good to firm). DASHMIG SENOR, a disappointing 4-5 favourite when 715th of 10 to Athele at Thirsk (71, good to firmt). Lift AND LOAD ran on late to be 71 4th of 9 to 5 to North of 17 to Athele at Thirsk (74 good to firmt). Lift AND LOAD ran on late to be 71 4th of 9 to 5 to hold on to best Conjurer 41 at Both (1m Byd, firm). Page at Newmanter (1m, good to firm). RENG'S SHIL. HAYDOCK PARK

8.15 BURTONWOOD BREWERY HANDICAP (3-Y-O: £5,127: 1m 40yd) (12 runners)

1989: ROSEATE LODGE 7-13 W Carson (13-8 tay) J Watts 8 ran

8.45 HALSALL MAIDEN STAKES (3-Y-O: £3,157: 1m 2f 130yd) (19 runners) 4 AMAL STAR 22 (A Budgo (Equino) Limited) R Willernit 9-0
G DIAMOND BLUE 11 (D Gibbin) W Essy 9-2
MIND THE STEP (Shakin Mchammed) G Harwood 9-0
MINAT HE STEP (Shakin Mchammed) G Harwood 9-0
6-25 MISANAM 37 (RA'S V Gauda Dei Bono) C Shittain 9-0
6-0 OPEN CHAMPION 30 (A Glesson) M McConneck 9-0 SISS (PSHRE (T COUNTRIE) D Browns 8-9.

SI CHALITAIR SUPREME 25 (P Bottomley) J Bottomley 8-9.

SI CHALITAIR SUPREME 25 (P Bottomley) J Bottomley 8-9.

SI TELL NO LIES 36 (Mrs. A Johnstons) John Fiz/Genid 8-9.

SITUATING 20 (G Savenson) P Felipsia 8-9.

SISAGE 53 (C Wright) D Arbuthnot 8-9.

BETTING: 7-4 Cruising Height, 5-2 Tell No Lies, 8-1 Artel Ster, 1G-1 Nuseitun, 12-1 Visage, 14-1 others. 1986: LIGHT OF THE MORN 9-0 B Raymond (6-1) B Hanbury 19 ran 9.15 WINWICK HANDICAP (3-Y-O: £3,525: 2m 35yd) (7 runners) (1) 403-125 BEAU QUEST 41 (F) (3 Famidon) R Hollicyteind 9-7
(5) 61-6532 HEAR A MIGHTINGALE 13 (V.3) (Mass C Bingham) T T-lones 9-6 L Makes
(2) 686-129 AS D'EBOLI 21 (F) (N Jackson) Jimmy Fizgeraid 9-4
(7) 00-4654 YAJES 11 (Heanden Al-Matesoni) J Dunlop B-3
(8) 303-513 MISS ADVENTIRE 7 (DF-F) (Rouleo Lid) M Tompleins 9-9
(9) 504-312 SUPCOAT 18 (G) (A Outrey) W Empy 8-10
(4) 0-0003 CLWYD LODGE 20 (P Bartley) D Toom 7-7 6 L Makoney (7)

K Fallen
W Nevmee
R Hills Pet Eddery

Long handlete: Clayd Lodge 7-8. BETTING: 3-1 As D'Eboll, 7-2 Miss Adventure, 4-1 Yallo, 9-2 Hear A Nightingale, 6-1 Surpost, 8-1 Seas 1988: MERRY MUTKIN 3-9-3 N Day (9-4) W Haggas 15 ran

Course specialists **JOCKEYS** Per cent. 25.0 22.4 22.2 22.0 21.7 18.8

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HUGH ROUTLEDGE

LORD'S (second day of three): Warwickshire lead Middlesex by 129 runs on first innings. MIKE Gatting had to go to hospital with a cut head yesterday after he was hit by a ball from Allan Donald. Warwickshire's South African fast bowler. The accident happened during an unexpected collapse by Middlesex, who lost nine wickets for 102 runs after they were 141 for one at

Play was held up for 12 minutes as Gatting received treatment at the end of the over in which he was struck. Though dazed, he insisted on continuing his innings, though it is a moot point whether he should have been allowed to The ball struck Gatting on

the left-hand side of his helmet and a bolt in the helmet caused a half-inch "indentation cut" behind his ear. He went for a precautionary check to hospital where no long-term damage was found. Gatting was advised against taking any further part in the game yesterday. As it turned out, he was not needed, with bad light preventing Warwick-shire starting their second

Benjamin, who finished with five for 71, his best championship figures, and Donald were mainly responsible for the Middlesex batting breakdown. The follow-on

and Fraser, the last two bats-

men, were together. From the brisk and unflustered manner that Haynes and Roseberry began the Middlesex innings, it seemed that an enormous score was on the cards. Warwickshire declared at their overnight total and initially their bowlers found the pitch as unhelpful as it had

Haynes already has four hundreds behind him this season. Less obvious but equally important has been the part he has played in helping Roseberry belatedly fulfil his long acknowledged potential. For two hours, runs flowed freely. Haynes had reached 67, with 12 fours, when Donald returned and had him caught behind as he

been on Wednesday.

drove loosely.

Benjamin's first over after lunch brought the dismissals Roseberry Ramprakash, leg-before from his second and third balls. Gatting's accident happened shortly afterwards.

Roseberry moved in front and tried to turn a ball towards mid-wicket. Ramprakash pushed forward defensively and clearly disagreed with the umpire's ver-

Gatting never took his eyes off the ball that hit him, as he

play resumed after the lengthy hold-up, Gatting and Brown were out in successive overs. Brown edged a catch to first slip; Gatting hooked a log hop to deep square-leg. By tea, Downton and Williams had gone and Middlesex were 214 for seven, still nine runs short of saving the follow-on.

Rain prolonged the interval and 18 overs were lost. When play re-started, Emburey lifted a catch to long leg. Middlesex were still two runs short when Hughes swatted a catch to cover. As Fraser defended, Tufnell finally took a crucial single from each paceman. Further runs came from unintended strokes before Benjamin uprooted Fraser's off

TO NOWMEN OW OP A Smen
NF Williams C Humpage b Donald
JE Emburey c Benjamin b Donald
S P Hughes c such b Benjamin
P C R Tuthell not out
A R C Fraser b Benjamin
Extras (b 8, b 7) Total (81.5 overs)

fine form tried to sway out of the way but it failed to rise as much as NORTHAMPTON: Leicester-Cook is first to 1,000 runs shire, with eight second-innings wickets in hand, are 212 runs ahead of Northamptonshire.

BASINGSTOKE (second day of three): Hampshire, with eight first-innings wickets in hand, are 202 runs ahead of Somerset IN A day strewn with incidents, the most notable was a brilliant innings by Jimmy Cook. Somer-set's South African opening batsman became the first player to reach 1,000 runs for the firstclass season, beating by two weeks the time taken by him for a similar accomplishment last

year. What is more, he achieved his goal in the grand manner, careering to his first 50 runs from just 36 balls, stroking 11 fours with the minimum of fuss, leaving poor Joseph, in particular, wondering at the gentle whirlwind which had cost him 40 runs from his five overs with

Tavare's declaration after 18 behind and a match in prospect, despite the loss thus far of 85 overs. It also left Cook on erage of 100. This pleasing symmetry needed the collusion of Nicholas and Tavare, the respective captains, not least on the part of Nicholas in declining to enforce the follow-on.

It was brought about, too - or lead was - by the reluctance of Somerset's fielders to hold on to overs of the evening. A lively their catches. By the time Nicholas declared with 257 runs and for Terry. Swallow showed

the way towards a Somerset been grassed, six of them yesfielding resurgence by taking a good catch in the gully to get rid terday. Middleton, the cornerstone of Hampshire's first innings effort, was dropped of Middleton and there is all to play for today.

when II. Terry twice while adding 14 to his over night score, and Joseph three times. Jones's appeals split the heavens on two occasions, as much from disappointment at the fielding as any real hope of gaining a decision. He and Mailender bowled especially well in the face of early suffer-

Total (6 with dec, 96 overs) ing, although Rose picked up the lion's share of wickets, the result LL OF WICKETS: 1-69, 2-117, 3-118, 4-8, 5-233, 6-254. of whole-hearted endeavour. Middleton's innings of 90 210, 5-633, 6-64. BOWLING: Jones 25-2-56-1; Mallender 25-7-50-1; Rose 25-1-84-3; Swellow 8-2-24-0; Hayhurst 11-5-12-1; Trump 8-1-24showed high promise. Another 10 runs would have brought him his first century in five first-class

Second innings
V.P.Terry low b Rose outings - this following five successive hundreds for Hamp-Now, he batted for 21/2 hours. defending soundly and driving strongly for the bulk of his 12 boundaries. He was accompalittle stand before, once again,

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-6, 2-12, MERSET: First lonings forced to give way to the lingering effects of the malaria which has plagued him through-Total (no witt dec, 18.2 overs) A NHayhurst, "CJ Taveré, RJ Harden, †N D Burns, G D Rose, I G Swellow, H R J Trump, N A Mallender and A N Jones did not but.

Middleton saw the other side of the coin when Hampshire BOWLING: Beldter 4-1-24-0; Joseph 5-1-40-0; Connor 5.2-1-23-0; Manu 4-2-2-0. Bouse points: Hampshire 3, Somerset 2. batted again through the last 15

Another test for Yorkshire

Driving force: Franklin finds the boundary off Hemmings during the Test match yesterday. Report, page 48

TUNBRIDGE WELLS (second day of three): Kent have scored 333 for five wickets against

FOR a county which has yet to record a championship victory or a first-class century this season. Yorkshire will have much to do if they are to win today. This, of course, assumes that a forfeiture of innings is forthcoming from both sides. It has been made possible owing to Neil Taylor's unbeaten century and telling innings from Mark Benson and Graham Cowdrey.

It was another day affected by the weather. Owing to rain and bad light, 20 overs were lost. Also, overnight rain had seeped under the covers, resulting in a damp patch just short of a length at the pavilion end which seemingly inhibited the bats-

Effectively it accounted for Benson, the ball stopping as he shaped to hook Hartley, but fortunately for Kent there was no one to exploit it fully. Jarvis was off the field, having pulled a

English bowlers of all varieties sore feet and damaged figures.

No one is quite sure which is the

main reason for the glut of runs

that 1990 has so far witnessed -

though I suspect better pitches -but the upshot is that several

have been forced to reassess the

capabilities of their bowling

extraordinary conditions bowlers are having to do some-

thing special to obtain their

wickets, through sheer pace, swing or spin. There is no margin of error for the medium-pace plodder, the seam bowler

who relies on putting the ball in the right place and letting the wicket or the seam do the rest.

Bowling techniques and ac-tions are being examined in an

attempt to gain that extra ingredient and the logical, and

pleasing conclusion is that if

these conditions continue, bet-

ter English bowlers will be produced. But the process will

In the interim, several coun-

ties will be showing more than a passing interest in the competition for the ICC Trophy.

which is taking place in The

The Test and County Cricket

Board regulations allow Euro-pean Community residents to play first-class cricket without

receiving the "overseas" tag, a fact which will become more

pertinent in 1991, when each county will be allowed to reg-

For the past decade, the Dane,

ister only one overseas player.

Ole Mortensen, of Derbyshire,

has been terrorising county

What is certain is that in these

nty captains and managers

hook brought him runs until he top-edged Moxon to square leg. His innings of 67 had lasted 199 other than one testing spell by Carrick, military medium predominated. Hartley has minutes and included two sixes and five fours.

bowled 36 overs in the innings. Taylor's century, his second of the season, was uncomplicated, acquisitive, and scored slowly. Much the same could be said of every innings he plays. This century took him four and a half hours and included eight fours. Until Fleming and Marsh came in and galvanised him into quick singles and chancing his arm, there was no one to give

With Cowdrey, Taylor added 146 in 62 overs. There were spurts of scoring and periods when they struggled to hit the having been left out of Kent's side on occasion this season. Cowdrey has joined the double and triple ceptury makers high in the national averages. Again he was admirably consistent.

facing Carrick, other than when he struck a six over long on with minimum backlift, and at times he square cut the medium pacers savagely. His shovelled

son's flood of runs has taken Paul Parker, the Sussex captain, to The Netherlands. Here he

batsmen and umpires, Paul-Jan

Bakker, of Hampshire, from The Netherlands has become an

effective seam bowler and the new signing at Somerset, Roland Lefebyre, another

Dutchman, has already proved

have a good chance of reaching

the final here, and for a county

captain who has a few days to

contemplate his battered bowling reserves, the ICC com-

opportunity to view alternative

The cricket here has been interesting, not least because of the matted wickets on which all

the matches are played. The ball skids quickly off the surface and

allows generous bounce for quick and spin bowlers alike.

The overall standard of the cricket played by both

Netherlands and Denmark has impressed but, so far, have brought me no joy. The best three bowlers I have seen are

those mentioned above, so the

Scarch goes on.

SCORES: Group A: Singapore 108 (M P Jarvis 4-21): Zimbabwe 109-0 (G A Paterson 52 not out, G W Plower 53 not out). Zimbabwe won by 10 wickets. Malaysia 148: Caracta 153-2 Caracta won by 8 wickets. Group E: Fiji 169-8 (C-Browne 66): Kernya 169-6, Kernya 179-8 (G-Browne 66): Kernya 169-6, Kernya 179-6, Bangladesh won by 36 runs. Group C: Danmark 167-9 (S Mildelson 54): East and Cearral Africa 84 (O H Mortenson 4-30). Denmark won by 102 runs. Group D: Hong Kong 178-7; Netherlands 184-3 (N Clarke 116 not out). Netherlands won by 7 wickets. Argentina 127; Israel 125-9, Israel won by 1 word by 1 wo

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sources of talent.

search goes on.

Both Holland and Denmark

is worth to his new county.

reports his findings

Captains in need

of a strike force

sunny spring, flat seams and capable of stemming this sea-featherbed pitches has given son's flood of rune has

Yorkshire's out-cricket was pretty sloppy all day. As invari-ably happens when a side strug-gles in the field, the ball followed the less athletic among them. Today, assuming the forfeitures take place. Yorkshire will be put to the test. But then every day in their present plight can be

MENT: First Invangs
3 Hinks c Banston b Jarvis
R Benson c Metcalife b Hartley
R Taylor not out
V Fleming c Kellett b Hartley
R Cowdray c Kellett b Micron
J Wells c Bairstow b Hartley
A Marsh not out
Extras (b 4, lb 12) Total (5 wkts) 203 for f

R M Elison, F S de Villers, R P Davis and A P Igglesden to but. FALL OF WICKETS: 1-42, 2-84, 3-230, 4-243, 5-277. YORKSHIRE: "M D Moton, A A Metcalfe, I J Blakey, S A Kellett, P E Robinson, †D L Bairstow, P Carrok, C White, P J Hartley, P W Jarvis and D Gough,

A brighter outlook for Wales

MINOR COUNTIES CRICKET By MICHAEL AUSTIN

WALES, eagerly casting the net for new players to improve their erformances, have made an instant discovery in Colin Wil-liams, a seam bowler from

Haverfordwest.
Williams, aged 24, began with four for 47 in the draw with Buckinghamshire at Slough and will also play in the match against Shropshire, starting on against Shropsh Sunday at Usk.

Since entering the champ-ionship two years ago, Wales have finished next to bottom of the Western Division both times. They have achieved only one win, over Cheshire last June, in 19 games.

Andrew Puddle, the new

Wales captain who plays for Colwyn Bay, has appeared in every match and believes his team have the spirit and skill to achieve better results. He said:
"We have a \$0-50 split of
players from North and South
Wales and will benefit this
season from having a good leftarm spinner in Philip North,
who previously played for who previously played for

Glamorgan. Cornwall, bottom of the West-ern Division seven times in the past eight years, are also show-ing signs of a revival, having earned a Holt Cup quarter-final place. They will meet Devon at Falmouth on June 17.

An eight-wicket win over Wiltshire at Truro was only Cornwall's second victory in eight years of cup games and by coincidence, their previous success two summers ago was also against Wiltshire at the same Cornwall have yet to open

their championship programme but Shropshire have already made a promising start with 12 points from their 55-run win over Dorset at Sherborne

John Abrahams, the former Lancashire captain, who failed to score in his debut innings for Shropshire last summer, began this season by taking five wickets for 103 and scoring a hundred against Dorset. He has shown an immediate liking for playing against them. playing against them.

Last summer, Abrahams

nade 103 not out against them and took eight for 51, including the hat trick, with his off spin, which is proving a considerable which is proving a considera asset to his adopted county.

Zarubin in luckless run on day of drama

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NBRIET

Rivals to

face US

By PETER BRYAN

than Sergei Zarubin who rode his way into the Milk Race records yesterday with a lone breakaway effort that took him through the glories and the dangers of a mountainous Lake District route from Penrith to Morecambe. With no plan conceived be-

fore the start. Zarubin eased away in torrential rain within moments of the flag dropping as.
riders made a rolling start. Five hours later and with 114 miles behind him, the Soviet was still clear of the field but what had been an amazing advantage of more than 15 minutes had been cut back to

mere seconds.
In road racing no quarter is in road racing no quarter is given and none expected. Zarubin was by now unable to raise any resistence as the cavalry charge lined up behind him, jockeying to get the sprinters into a choice position for the line dash to the line and final dash to the line and the

£1,000 first prize.
The bunch, too occupied to acknowledge a hero who had ridden the longest solo in the 33-year history of the Milk Race, caught and passed Zarubin who said that with no other pece-seuers, his eclipse came during the last 25 miles ridden mainly into a head wind.

But for the strong wind, I would have won," he said. That part of the day's drama esolved, more was to come. As the mass of riders swung onto the mass of riders swang onto the promenade, spread from gutter to gutter, there was a sudden clash of steel on concrete and 10 riders crashed. Joey McLoughlin's Ever Ready team, preparing to lead him out for the line, were hardest hir with four fallers including McLoughlin, the race winner in 1986.

Gary Baker, who regained his overall lead in the climbing competition, was the only squad to move on to the pavement. Twan Goenge, of The Netherlands, was taken to hos-pital with a suspected fractured collarbone. Two hundred yards from the

line, their back-up men having done their job, the sprint specialists took over. For the fourth time, first over the line was lan Bogaert, of Belgium, the winner of stages two, fiveB and time.

Bogaert's victory was his 84th since turning professional 11 years ago. He has won five stages in the Australian Sun Tour and is confident that in the last two days of the Milk Race he can equal that figure. Yet he is highly unlikely to feature in the overall top 10 at the race end on Saturday as he is almost 13 minutes behind the leader, Shane Sutton, who held on to the yellow jersey yesterday for the minth day. Sutton, who took the lead last

Wednesday week, still leads his Banana-Falcon team colleague, Rob Holden, by 2min 40sec. The crash cost McLoughlin his seventh place overall and, losing 68 seconds on the winner, he has slipped back to seven-

RESULTS: Testh stage (Pervish to More-centse, 117 miles): 1, J Bogaert (La William), Siw 12min 15eec; 2, F Hoste (Tulo): 3, F Augustin (EG); 4, M Lesniewski (Pol): 5, V Sapronov (INSRI); 6, S Hempsell (Brittania), all same time. Overall: 1, Sutton (Banana-Falcon), 42m Olimin 37sec; 2, F Hotcler (Banana-Falcon), at 2min 40sec; 3, M Vasicok (C2), at 241: 4, D Thueux (Fr), at 253; 5, C Welker (Banana-Falcon), at 322: 6, R Poels (Neth), at 4:02. Team: 1, Banana-Falcon, 125mr 55min 58sec; 2, Tulip Computers, 126:01:39; 3, Cascho-slovakia, 126:03:57.

RUGBY LEAGUE

From one hothouse to another

From a correspondent **NEW ZEALAND**

THE Great Britain team return. to reality when they arrive today in Auckland for the start of their 10-match tour of New Zealand, which will include three Tests. During an unnerving three weeks in Papua New Guinea, where they lost one international and won the other, they were subjected to tear gas, stones, puch invasions and an unexpected by hydrogla contents. stones, pitch invasions and an unexpectedly physical approach to the game. Since then, the players have been regaining their composure in Cairns, Far North Queensland. By the time they arrive in Auckland, they will have brought John Devereux nearer to match fitness, and will be looking forward to the arrival of Martin Offiah. Their New Zealand mo-

Their New Zealand programme will be no token trot among the colonials. The President's XIII, the first opposition, will be virtually a final trial for the New Zealand side, and the matches against Canterbury and Auckland, before the first inter-

matches against Canterbury and Auckland, before the first international, and Wellington, immediately after, will be closely contested.

An extended rainy season in the North Island has brought down the temperature to 40f—certainly not the sunfathing weather the touring party enjoyed in Papua New Guinea, but far more congenial for players used to English conditions.

Harry Pinner, the former St Helens, Widnes and Great Britain captain, is to join Wigan as coaching co-ordinator.

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Wright's work a credit to the pitch

the Hampshire captain

shire's second XI.

out the season.

By Geoffrey Wheeler

THE Gloucestershire batsmen paid further tribute to the quality of the pitch at Valentine's Park, Ilford, yesterday by scoring the 276 they needed to avoid the possibility of being asked to follow on by Essex with the minimum of fuss. Although no one came near to matching the brilliance of Mark

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THE SUPERCALL

Waugh on Wednesday, Tony Wright, the captain, played pos-trively for 92 before he was bowled by Neil Foster, the only bowler to cause serious concern. Gloucestershire, however, 152 for two soon after Graham

failed to pick up maximum batting points, their momentum

checked by some fine fielding which led to the running out of Athey and Bainbridge, the latter for a brisk 64 which included 10 boundaries. Despite the loss of an hour to the weather Essex rattled through 103 overs and something equally positive will be required to manufacture a result today. Surrey threw down the gaunt-

let to Derbyshire at the Oval by declaring their first innings at

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Thorpe had completed his first half-century of the season.A rain-affected day was one of mixed fortunes for the Surrey left-arm spinner, Keith Medlycott, who had a spell of three wickets in seven balls as Derbyshire were dismissed for

> bat because of a migraine attack. Medlycott became was an emergency opening batsman, only to be run out for six when his partner, Alikhan, refused what partner, Aliknan, ichoo-appeared to be a safe single.

Johnson, of Nottinghamshire, hit a six and 14 fours in an unbeaten 112 while Russell Morris, who dashed to 50 in 56 minutes, was 73 not out as the University reached 118 for one, 83 behind.

Rugby ban

John Gadd, the Gloucester flanker sent off during the Pilkington Cup final against Bath at Twickenham on May 5, has been suspended for three months. He will miss the first months. He will miss the first four Courage Club Champ-ionship matches of what is likely to be his final first-class season.

LEICESTERSHIRE: First funings
J Boon c Capel b Thomas
J Boon c Capel b Thomas
J Briers b Thomas
J Whiteker N G B Cook b Penberthy
Wiley c Noon b Ambrose
Potter c Noon b Ambrose
D R Benson c Capel b Penberthy
K M Bensemin b Capel
J A Nboon b Ambrose
P Agnew c Noon b Capel
D Mullelly not out
J Millers c Capel b Penberthy
Extres (b 3, b 3, w 3, nb 3)
Total (88.2 overs)
2 Then, with Clinton unable to

Total (88.2 overs) _______281 FALL OF WICKETS: 1-6, 2-13, 3-81, 4-63, 5-112, 6-182, 7-223, 8-259, 9-259. BOWLING: Ambrose 23-6-64-3; Thomas 22-5-74-2; Capel 22-7-49-2; N G B Cook 6-1-17-6; Pemberthy 15-2-2-61-3.

Boon not out

E Briers b Capel
Whitaker c and b Capel Total (2 wids) ...

Fordham

continues

By TONY WINLAW

RAIN again interferred with

progress on the second day here yesterday but, at least, the

marked improvement in batting

form this season by Alan Fordham, Northamptonshire's

opener, was again confirmed as

he scored 59 not out in their 95

for one declared.

Northamptonshire had dis-

missed Leicestershire for 261, but after lunch, at 46 for one, 19

had prospered in a partnership

of 51 in 10 overs, another storm

On resumption North-

amptonshire somewhat gen-erously declared, still 166 runs behind on the first innings, but

at least with prospects today of a

Leicestershire declaration and a fourth-innings run chase. Some hostile bowling by Capel gained two quick second-innings wick-

ets but the visitors led by 212

runs at the close. On this slow pitch Fordham

and Felton, successfully won the duel with Benjamin and Agnew,

in an opening partnership of 44. Benjamin should have had

Felton caught at second slip by Whitaker, but just one run later

the left-hander hooked the first ball from Mullally, the change bowler, into the hands of Benja-

min at square leg. For Leicestershire, who had

resumed at 210 for six, Benson looked well set for his maiden hundred before being caught at slip by Capel for 86. As the last three wickets fell for two runs,

Capel caught another one at second slip. Both were off the

bowling of Penberthy, aged 20,

overs were lost to rain and the overs were lost to rain and then, after Fordham and Geoff Cook

Total (f wid dec, 26 overs) ________95
R J Balley, D J Capel, R G Williams, A L
Penberthy, tW M Moon, J G Thomas, C E
L Ambrose and "N G B Cook did not but.

FALL OF WICKET: 1-44.

BOWLING: Bertarin 11-2-83-0; Agnew 7-1-23-0; Mullelly 5-0-17-1; Willey 1-0-1-0; Millins 2-0-19-0.

Bonus points: Northemptonshire 4,

Surrey v Derbyshire THE OVAL (second day of three): Destyshive, with all second-ensings wickets in trans, are 124 runs sheed of Surrey
DERBYSHINE: First limitings
K. J. Barnett c Greig b Younus 75
J. E. Morris Ikw b Younus 75
J. G. Adetnes C. Chaten b Felthern 75
J. R. Morris C. Chaten b Felthern 37
K. M. Krildeen c Felthern b Mediycott 35
A. E. Werner C. sub Mediycott 17
A. J. Basse b Mediycott 0
G. Miller not out 10

P D Bower Inn.
Total (no wkt)
J E Montis, B Roberts, A P Kulper, C.
Adams, 1K M Kritikusn, M Jean-Jacques,
E Warmer, S J Base and G Miller to bet. SUPRECY: Pres innings
SUPRECY: Pres innings
R I Allishen c Bowler b Miller
K T Medilycott run out
G P Thorpe not out
10 M Ward not out
Extras (ib 8, w 2, nb 7)

YESTERDAY'S OTHER SCOREBOARDS

Essex

ESSEX: First livnings
J P Stephenson b Lawrence
A C Seymour retired hurt
P J Prichard c Curran b Bahbridge
B R Handle not our
N Shabit c I

SOWLING: Welsh 18-2-60-0: Lawrence 11-0-57-1; Curran 19-2-83-1; Graveney 27-2-101-1; Bambridge 18-2-65-1; Lioyds 11-1-35-0.

Score at 100 overs: 283 for 6 D A Graveney, C A Watsh and D V Lawrence to but. FALL OF WILKETS: 1-58, 2-88, 3-111, 4-170, 5-235, 6-264.

Oxford Univ v Notts THE PARKS (second day of three): Oxford University, with nine first-immigs wickets in hand, are 83 runs behind attinghamstere NOTTINGHAMSHIRE: First Innings

Total (3 wids dat) 201
G W Mike, M G Reid-Buss, R A Pick, K
Sevelby, J A Afford and †C W Scott did not FALL OF WICKETS: 1-27, 2-32, 3-92. BOWLING: Van der Merwe 20-5-69-1 Gerrans 19-4-58-1; Crawley 15.5-4-38-1 Danes 4-0-31-0.

Umpires: K J Lyons and H J Rhodes.

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JOIN A WORLD CLASS TEAM FOR THE BIG MATCH

FALL OF WICKETS: 1-8, 2-88. BOWLING: Jean-Jacques 14.1-3-47-0; Base 12-1-38-0; Warner 11-2-35-0; Kulper 7-1-15-0; Miller 8-2-13-1. use points: Surrey 5, Derbyshire 3. pires: J Harris and J W Holder. Essex v Gloucs

ILFORD (second day of three): Gloucestershire, with elx first-image wickets in hand, are 136 runs behind Essex

Total (4 wids dec) _____ core at 100 overs: 411 for 4 *D R Pringle. N A Foster, J H Childs and P M Such did not bet. FALL OF WICKETS: 1-2, 2-106, 3-847, 4-

GLOUCESTERSHIRE: First limings
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YACHTING

Scheme drawn up

for new breed of

ocean-going yachts

AN 11-strong team of inter-national designers out the though carbon fibre may be finishing touches last night to incorporated into the decks and

AN 11-strong team of international designers out the finishing touches last night to proposals for an exciting new breed of ocean racing yachts for the mext Whithread Round the World Race in 1993.

The design includes twin rudders, two half tons of water ballast, a fully battened mainsail and a displacement two-thirds that of existing designs drawn to the present international offshore rule.

"These are potentially very fast and exciting yachts," said Rob Humphreys, one of three British designers who made up the panel of experts who had drawn up the design perameters. The yachts will carry a fixed sail area on a fractunal sloop rig and also have a narrow displacement band, which will make them "very equal" in performance Humphreys added.

The yachts have a maximum sailing water line length of 60ft and an overall length of 65ft, which means that owners will require a chainsaw to adapt them to the 60ft maximum length for the BOC single-handed round the world yacht race.

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Britons miss out again

AACHEN - The British run of old, as the sole British repre

EQUESTRIANISM

Leroy coaxes Papoose

into a first-day lead

By JENNY MACARTHUR

sentative. Sixth to go, he could not make Sloophaak's time. Three later, Ludger Beerbaum pushed Almox Rosella over the

The British team for today's

Nations Cup, Nick Skelton (Apollo), Joe Puri (Waysider), Mac (Everest Oyster) and Whitaker (Henderson Monsan-

ta), go first of the 11 entrants.

RESULT: Fürstenberg Brewery Prize: 1, Optiebeurs Garfield (F Sloopheak, WG), 0 faults, 36, 14sec; 2, Almox Rosella (L Beerbaum, WG), 0, 36,46; 3, My Mesleur (M Whitaker, GB), 0, 37,26.

AACHEN - The British run of near misses at the Aachen show continued yesterday in the Fürstenberg Brewery prize, in which the long-striding Optiebeurs Garfield took Franke Sloophaak of the West German team to victory (Findlay Davidson writes).

The field of 62 starters was reduced to 11 for the barrage. Emma lane Mac, of Warwickshire, who was well and truly in the water with Everest Oyster,

the water with Everest Oyster, was not among them. This left Michael Whitaker on My Mesieur, a French-bred 12-year-

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tion, the future of women's tennis is going to be merry. bright and very noisy. Seles beat Jennifer Capriati 6-2, 6-2 200 the scoreline was not a fair reflection of the tightness of the match nor, it must be said, up to expectations. It never had a chance of doing so.

"I didn't play as well as I the concentration on the can and I don't think she did American's youth. But few either. It was a difficult match mentally and physically for both of us because so much was expected," Seles

Inevitably, waiting for the No. 2 seed in the final on Saturday will be Steffi Graf, who took one game less and one minute more than Seles to reach her 13th consecutive grand slam final. The West German continued to belie the common theory that her game is not up to her usual standard nities, but because her game by arrogantly dismissing Jana lacks only experience and Novoina 6-1, 6-2. Graf has wariety, both of which will come with time. 66, 64 and 63 minutes, losing five, four and three games.

IF THE 62 minutes it took game point at 2-3 in the of them. Seles had taken the Monica Seles to reach her first second set, the Czechoslovak first set and the baseline was a grand slam final is an indica- patted rather than drove a mass of dainty footprints, the backhand pass and Graf punched away the volley. Everyone has been saying

area round the net virgin territory. The first volley by Capriati came after 17 min-

utes, the first by Seles in the

last - and most exciting -

If there was a decisive moment amid the whirlwind,

it came in the lifth game of the

second set. The unseeded

American, her temper tested

for perhaps the first time in her career by a bad line call in

the previous game, had re-

acted by winning four straight points to level the set at 2-2. In

the following game, she saved

two break points but, after a

rally which increased in pace

and pitch from first hit to last, was finally beaten by a deli-cate cross-court backhand

The Yugoslav acknowledged the breakthrough by raising her hand in the air and then won 10 of the next 12

points to take a 5-2 lead. It was

the first sign of weakness in

the American teenager's indomitable spirit and it did

Serving for the match after

when she had to play me in the

semi-final I had chances then,

but hadn't been there before

so didn't know what to do. Now I have been in those positions before," Seles said.

"But what surprised me was

how quick she was and how

many balls she got back. It was

always a very tight match. I can tell you that at 14 I wasn't

as good as she is. There is no question, she will be around

In other words, like Navratilova and Evert, this

rivalry could run and run.

WOMEN'S SINGLES: Semi-finate: S Graf (WG) bt J Novotra (Cz), 8-1, 8-2; M Salas (Yug) bt J Capriati (US), 6-2, 8-2. MEN'S DOUBLES: Semi-finate: G Ivan-servic (Yug) and P Korda (Cz) bt J Grabb and P McEnroe (US), 6-2, 2-8, 6-3; S Cassal and E Sánchez (Sp) bt P Hasmuts and M Koewamans (Math), 7-6, 6-4.

not last long.

A victory for Seles

in first episode

of a teenage serial

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that Steffi is not playing, that on her sixth match point, but she's sick. Today she proved she is the No. 1 player in the game of the match. world," Novotna said. At 16 years 6 months, Seles did the quality of the play live is now the youngest finalist in the history of the French Open, a fact lost somewhat in

> would predict with any confidence that the freewheeling Capriati will not start another chapter at Wimbledon in a fortnight's time. "Clay is dead," she said. "I'm going to move onto the grass right away. It sounded like a threat

> Capriati should not be too cast down by defeat, not just because she is only 14 and, as Seles acknowledged, there will be plenty of other opportu-

As both players play to a frantic rhythm, there was Novotna's one chance of never going to be much time ending that run was to be for reflection. The average positive. But when the one time for the first eight games

53 minutes, Seles had to survive the longest game of the match and needed six glimmer of hope came on was three minutes. By the end match points before finally Svensson's chance putting paid to the first of what will surely be the first of many challenges to her command of the nursery. for the spotlight "Now I know what Steffi Graf must have felt last year

JONAS Svensson, the gentle said Svensson after his convincswede who has forever lived in the shadow of Stefan Edberg, has a rare opportunity to make his own name in the semi-finals of the French Open today.

Svensson plays Andre Agassi and, after the latter's controversial comments shout the 1978. sial comments about the establishment last week, he would certainly endear himself

victory against the No. 3 seed.
To do so, Svensson will have
to cut out the inconsistencies
that have stopped him breaking
into the world top 10 over the last three years. On his day, Svensson can match Edberg for skill and elegance; he can also surpass him for mid-match melancholia. He beat Ivan Lendl in the quarter-finals of the French Open two years ago, his beat performance in a grand slam, but lost to Leconte in the

semi-finals "I was mentally very tired after the Lend) match. Now, it is different because I expect myself to win over the top players, so it is no longer such a big thing."

met will be playing his first mentally very tired grand slam semi-final, Muster, another left-hander, will be in his second. If it goes beyond three sets, you have to back the Austrian's strength.

IN BRIEF

Rivals to

face US

JO Durie and Monique Javer must forget their differences over the British tennis rankings when they team up for the Federation Cup in Atlanta next

month.

Durie threatened never to

play for Britain again after being relegated to second in the rankings behind Javer earlier this year. But the British women's director, Ann Jones, later diffused the situation. Yes-

terday Javer, Durie, Sarah Loosemore and Clare Wood

were named as the squad to travel to the United States for

Phil Appleyard, the president of the Hockey Association, the controlling body of the game in England, has been appointed chairman of the Great Britain Hockey Board, He succeeds Tim Morrison, of Scotland.

Cram returns

Steve Cram, the world mile record holder, will have his first

track race of the season in the northern championships at Grimsby. He has entered three events: the 800, 1500 and 5,000

Emma Donaldson, of Scotland beat Nicky Roberts, of Alderly Edge, 94, 10-8, 9-1 in a regional

semi-final of the Dunlop Cham-

Squash task

the July 23-29 tournament.

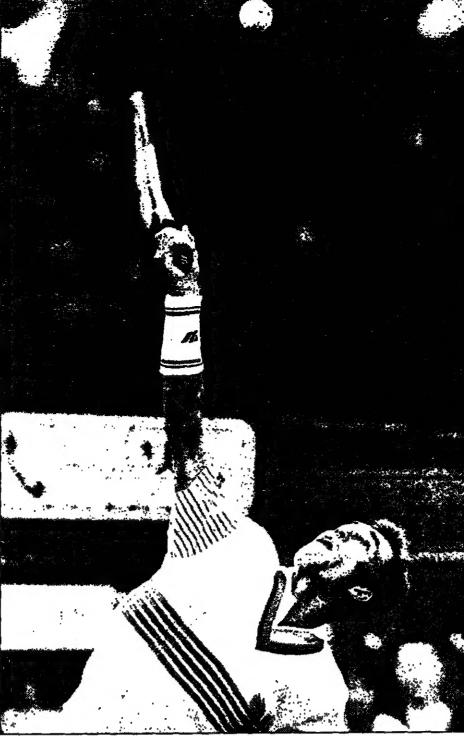
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of the French every year since 1978.

establishment last week, he would certainly endear himself to the authorities at Roland Carros if he could conjure up a This will be his fourth semi-This will be his fourth semi-final, his second at the French Open. "This is the only time I have got to the semi-finals and felt like I want more. That's because I'm physically fitter than before," he said.

If Svensson's match with the

American promises to be a contrast of style and rhythm, the other semi-final, between the No. 4 seed Andres Gomez and Thomas Muster, promises to be a survival of the fittest. At the age of 30, the left-handed Gomez will be playing his first grand slam semi-final, Muster, another left-hander, will be in



No strain: a relaxed, confident Lendl serves forcefully during his defeat of Deppe

Late arrival sends Cash out

PAT Cash, who has courted controversy for much of his career, was defaulted from the Direct Line Insurance tousnament at Beckenham yesterday after failing to arrive in time for his much-heralded match with

his much-heralded match with Stefan Edberg.

Describing it as "one of the most difficult decisions of my career", Sultan Gangji, the tournament referce, had no choice but to invoke the rule that a player should be defaulted if he is not ready to play 15 minutes after the match has been called. Having called the match at 12.35pm, a walkover was awarded to the frustrated Edberg at 12.50. Cash arrived on site at approximately 1.10, had what was politely described as "a private conversation" with

MOVED DOUBLES: Caustier-finels: N
Provis (Aus) and D Visser (SA) bt T
Scheutr-Larsen and M Mortensen (Dorn),
7-5, 6-4, 8 Senchez Visario (Sp) and 3
Lazano (Mex) bt M Pierce (Fr) and C
Campbell (SA), 6-1, 6-1, Senti-finels: N
Methodoxa (USSR) and K Jones (US) bt B
Schultz and M Schapers (Netro), 6-2, 6-3.

lovely little pitch and run to

This will be Casselss' last

Amateur. He proposes to turn professional in a couple of months' time. But victory might

three feet.

followed an unfinished women's

much that began at noon. "He was told specifically what time he was on." Gangji said.

Cash has little excuse. There is an understanding within the game that a player should be on site when the march preceding his way here. There are the preceding the control of the preceding his own begins. That ensures there are no problems if a delay occurs in getting to the courts. But because of relatively poor court conditions at Beckenham, Cash chose to prepare elsewhere.

A tournament official, Stephen Davis, said: "We would reserve judgement on whether we would invite Cash again."

On court, meanwhile, Ivan Lendi enjoyed another un-

defeated John Fitzgerald 6-2, 6-

(Aus), 6-2, 6-2 SEVGLER: Second round: J WOMEN'S SEVGLER: Second round: J Salmon (GB) bt C Lindovist (Swe), 6-4, 6-4; P Fendick (US) bt A Simpler (GB), 6-3, 7-6; N Myagri (Lingon) bt K McConsal (Aus), 5-7, 6-4, 7-4; G Fernandez (US) bt S Gomer (GB), 6-2, 6-1; E Incure (Lingon) bt R Gaddie (SA), 6-0, 6-1; E Incure (Lingon) bt R Fladd (SA), 6-3, 6-1; T Tandeg (Lingon) bt R Fladd (SA), 6-3, 6-1; Callins (US) bt A Gavaldon (US), 6-2, 8-4, 7-6; A Material (SA) bt B Erman (GB), 6-2, 8-4, 7-6; A Material (SA) bt B Erman (GB), 6-2, 8-4, 7-6; Royce Deppe, of South Africa, 6-2, 6-3. The world No. 1 looked supremely confident. Stefan Edberg eventually managed to get on court and

PASCAL Leroy, a contender for for Badminton this weekend. France's world championship team with his top horse, Logical Song, held the lead on the nine-year-old Papoose at the end of the first day of dressage at the MacConnal-Mason Bramham International Three-Day Event in West Yorkshire.

The pair were tenth at the state of the pair were tenth at the state of the stat in West Yorkshire.

Leroy, who gave up his job in commerce in Toulouse six months ago to concentrate on eventing, has had problems in the past keeping the volatile Papoose calm in the dressage arena. Tactful riding yesterday Osberton last year and, while several riders here, including Law, are looking no further than safe, clear rounds on tomorrow's cross country course, Hunnable, refreshingly, is "baying a go". - and the lack of an atmosphere around the near-deserted dres-

The riders' main concern for tomorrow's 27-fence cross country court ground which is likely to tax the stamina of the horses.

sage arena — produced a relaxed, accurate test purting him just over a mark ahead of Chris Hunnable on Chain Reaction. Hunnable on Chain Reaction.

Christopher Bartle, the Olympic dressage rider, is in third place on Bill Giles.

Hunnable intends to qualify

RESULTS (after first day of dressage): 1, Papose (P Laroy, Fr), 53.40; 2, Chain place on Bill Giles.

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Charles's pace decisive

THE first of the new Olympic him on the finish line by a mere format Soling series in British six inches.

Waters was completed yesterday RESULTS: Soling class: First match: Q in Hayling Bay with Glyn Charles handing out a decisive two-race win over Graham Bailey in the best-of-three-race final (Roger Lean-Vercoe writes).

Charles swiftly dispatched Dave Tabb in the opening race by superior boatspeed. In the second, more equal, semi-final Graham Bailey outfoxed his adversary, Rory Bowman. In their match to decide third place, Bowman won the first

CARNIVAL Time, an eight-year-old grey gelding owned by R Claydon and ridden by Nigel

RESULTS: Crosse and Blackwell Stakes: 1, S. Mapleson's Rhapsody (G. Blangton); 2, Wessex Conservatories' Wessex Samboy (P. Sunton); 3, Snith's Construction PLC's A Links Trouble (J. Sanith); 8, piless Gelde C: 1, S' Williams' Bricon; 2, B Facty's Maybe Not; 3, G. Moore's Gorde's Garl (S. Williams). Showing

Showdown Linford Christie is set for an race, but lost the second start after fouling Tabb.

After completing his 270 penalty turn, Bowman ate into Tabb's lead, finalty overhauting Crystal Palace on Sunday.

lazzo, 2-D. Frime: G. Chisnes Dr. G. Salley, 2-Q. Firm European: champlesship: Fifth race: 1, S. Westergaard (Den); 2, H. Spitzauer (Austriel; 3, L. Hjorthaes (Den); Overalt: 1, S. Westergaard (Den); 2-H. Spitzauer (Austria); 3, O. Blumencron (Switz).

Time for celebration

Oliver, took the championship on the opening day of the Royal Cornwall Show yesterday, hav-ing earlier won his lightweight hunter class.

Clark moves into lead and nurses his 'grouse' From MEL WEBB, DROTTNINGHOLM, SWEDEN

APPROPRIATELY, it was a television screen "hoping for a

fair-haired hero who strode European victory". First he has down the final fairway to the applause of an equally blond appliance of an equally played chip and run from a sandy lie set up his sixth birdie of the day. The crowd were beside themselves.

semi-final of the Lumop Cham-pion of Champions squash rack-cts tournament at the Lancastrian Club near Man-chester and in tonight's final meets Susan O'Brien. of Maple, who beat Alex Bostock. of The only complication from the Swedish point of view was that the flaxen hair belonged to Bamford, in a four-game semi-Howard Clark, of Yorkshire and England, who with a round of 65, seven under par, shared the Brian Reid, of Ulster, made it lead after the first round of the Scandinavian Enterprise Open vesterday.

Clark, aged 35, thus took an important step to ending a twoyear spell without a win on the European Tour. If he still leads on Sunday, it will give weight to an irritation never far from his

Clark's grouse concerns the US Open, in which eight fellow Europeans will be playing next week, and in which he has never been invited to play. "I've never had an invitation

in 16 years on tour." he said.
"The been in the top five in the
Order of Merit three times. I've won 12 times, and played in five Ryder Cups. I'd love to play in it ust once, but I'm beginning to be resigned to the fact that I

won't now. Clark will be taking next week

He had an eagle two at the 268-yard 1st when he hit a thin shot from just off the green and saw it disappear from 20 yards away. Putts of 25 feet at the third, 18 feet at the fifth and five feet at the eighth took him to the

turn in 32, and three more birdies brought him back in 33, Clark shares the lead with Johan Rystrom while lan Woosnam seems to have done a handy repair job on his ailing putting stroke, holing three 12-tooters in a round of 70.

Woosnam is non-committal about his prospects next week. But Clark would go if he had to play all four rounds on stilts.

LEADING FIRST ROUND SCORES (GB and Ire unless trated): 65: H Clark, J Hystrom (Swe), 65: P Curry, G Hjertstedt (Swe, amsteur), C Parry (Aus), R Karlsson (Swe), 67: J Morgan, A Jimkez (Sp), P McChrimney (Aus), J Berenni (Arg), P Senlor (Aus), J Durros (Sp), P Carrigill, S Bottomiey, 68: M Harwood (Aus), C Stadler (US), T Hederstrom (Swe), A Forsbrand (Swe) 68: S Stephen, D J Russell, R Saberros (Sp), R Shearer (Aus), C Mordgomens, M Lanner (Swe), G Brand (un., P Parkin, H-P Thuel (WG), J Davits (Sp), L Lewellyn, 70: M Apancio (Sp), R Hansen, C Maltman, I Gervas (Sp), R Hanterty, V Singh (Fe), I Wooshem, J Rufladge (Carl), G Turner, P Tersvainan (US), S Richardson, M Jonsson (Swe), B Ogle (Aus), 71: J Slaughter (US), M Sunesson (Swe), M Davis, M Pendanes (Fri, O Seiberg (Swe), D A Russell, R Chapman, J-M Carluzares (Sp), M Martin (Sp).

mild weather From a CORRESPONDENT CHICAGO

calm, early morning conditions to gather eight birdies and one bogey on the Butler national BASEBALL

BASEBALL

MAYRMAL LEAGUE: San Francisco Gismis 3, Chichnati Rede 2 (11 inns); San Diego Padres 3, Houston Astros 2: New York Mets 4, Morerael Expos 3: Prissburgh Prates 6, Chicago Cubs 1; St Louis Cardinals 12, Phaladelphia Phillips 11 (10 brns); Los Angeles Dodgers 7, Alleria Braves 5.

AMÉRICAN LEAGUE: Memesora Twins 12. Toronto Blue Jays 5, Boston Red Sox 4, New York Yankees 1; Detroit Tigers 6, Cleveland Indiane 4; Chicago Whee Sox 5, Seatile Maranera 0: California Angels 6, Kanéas City Royals 2; Battmore Croiles 8, Milleauxies Brewers 7; Otadand Athletics 5, Taxas Rangers 4. headed the European contingent at two under par with one hole

week before the Masters, revealed glimpses of his true ability when he played 12 holes in even par.

Severiano Ballesteros, the dual Masters champion, struggled to two over par after 14 holes and appeared destined to finish the first round near the rear of the field.

BATTERSEA: Light-heavy-weight (Southers) and the played 12 holes and specific played 12 holes and specific played 12 holes and appeared destined to finish the first round near the rear of the field.

CRICKET MINOR COUNTIES CHAMPIONSHIP: Cambridgeshire 248-7 dec and 234-2 dec (NT Gadaby 104 not out, G W Ecclestone 95t; Stationdshine 207 (A Akhter 4-52), Matich drawn.

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Bunting 4-24, C C Ramy 4-44) and 41-3;
Sussex 200-7 dec (K Greenfleid 57, R Hamley 76). Headingshay: Yorkishira 387-5 dec (K
Sharp 141, D Byas 79, C Chapman 74);
Glamorgan 158-4 dec (P Cottey 75). Studiety:
Wannicichter 141; Essax 301-5 (J E Lives 58, K W R Fletcher 76, K A Butter 62 not out A R K
Person 4-56). Leicester: Lancashira 302-5 (B Cottey 15). In California 202-6 (C Control 10). N Speak 53, J Gallian 52)
and 25-1; Leicestershire 220 (R A Cobb 51; 1
Aussin 6-54).

and 25-1: Louissurshire 220 (R A Cobb 51: 1 Austra 6-54).
SCHOOLS MATCHES: Forly Club 169-2 (Puery 102 not out, "City of Lond 124: "Adadetone GS 139, Beeramy 134-7; MCC 199-5, "Eastbourne 138, Beeramy 134-7; MCC 199-5, "Eastbourne 138 MATCHES: Arun Valley League 82. "Fullers Surrey League 83-4: North Kern League 170, "Puckensal East Kern League 974-9; Eve Surrey Champoriship Pirst Division 126-5, "Save and Prosper Southern League 95-5.
OTHER MATCH: Witshire Association 291-9 (D Turner 120, J Spencer 74): Devon Association 186 (G Bruk-Jeckson 82), Wiltshire won by 105 runs.

EQUESTRIANISM ARDINGLY: South of England show: American International Underwritens Trophys. 1, Everest Gelart (B Mandi): 2, Mrs. A Miller (Tutant): 3, Mrs. M. Bates: Guerden (A Fazakerte): Seeboard Seookus: chemploastists: 1, Lady Inducaça: a Everest Minia; (Miss M. Eigar): 2, Mrs. A Miller's Zaphyrus: 3, Brock. Street. Carver. (R. Sneth.). Risiden Hunters Lightweight: 1, fand Reserve chemplom Bailey Horse Feets. Withiul Thinhong. Bibdiseweight: 1, Mr and Mrs. J. Rauding is Beilymoren. Meanyweight: 1, sand chempon) S. McCormack's Wille Griffen. Ladler: 1, Wrshild Thristing. Porty Beneding champion: Mrs. Shelle Wirtig's Sanyer Deignt. Reserve: Mrs. V. Richardson's Outward Touch of Class. ARDINGLY: South of England show: Ameri

BOWLS COUNTY MATCHES: Essex 91, Sussex 131; tale of Wight 141, Middlesex 92; Somerser 123, Oxfordshire 129.

SQUASH RACKETS

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(Soutingso) of M White (MRI HE), 26, 6, 21, 9-2.

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(Princer's), 9-3, 3-9, 5-2, 2-9, 9-1. Wasses: S
Lawrence (Barpas) to S Johnson (Estayany
Sports), 6-9, 9-4, 9-6, 7-8, 9-2; S Wall
(Brentield) by J Comien (Cumbristered), 9-2, 9-2

(Coptnome) to J Martin (Portry Squash), 9-6,
9-1, 8-10, 9-7; A About Table (Bedby) by M
Westrup (Turbridge Welds), 8-0, 9-7, 9-3,
Westers: S Mache (Richmond Town) by Spring (Wimbledon Stadium), 9-2, 9-2-9-2 J
Cendin (Colese, Tharme Discrip by M Many
(New Etham), 4-9, 10-9, 10-8, 9-4, North
England: Merc M Scott (Abbeydele Paris) bt S
Strepherd (Cusen's Towns), 9-6, 9-4, 9-2,
Westers: S Ward (Rechampione) by A Lawron
(Hull and East Ridning), 9-7, 9-0, 9-4; G Topkes
(Ponsetring) by P Sissan (Chapel Alerton), 9-2, 9-2, 9-1, Nerth West England: Mon C Baker
(Sention) by P Asthury (Warnington), 9-6, 9-3,
4-9, 1-9, 9-3; H Nursel (West Lancashira) by P
Hudhes (Menchester Northem), 9-3, 9-5, 7-9,
9-4. Westers: S O'Erlen (Marbie) by A Bostock
(Berdord), 9-5, 9-1, 7-9, 9-1; E Doneldson
(Williage Presswitch) bt N Roberts (Addenty
Edge), 9-4, 10-4, 9-1,
10-1, 11 SQUASH RACKETS

Robinson and J Ironnonser (38); 2, K Neisen and Filach (Denk; 3, J Holm and J Fedoersen (Den); 4, 8 Lange and H Jess (WG); 2, J Moster and J Hansen (Den).

FOOTBALL. INTERNATIONAL BLATCHES: Beiglum 1. Poland 1 (in Brussels); Norway 1, Dermark 2 (in Oslo). LUXCHEOURIS CUP: Final: AS Differdange 3, Swift Hosperange 3 (set).

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two TT wins in four years when he rode his 600cc FZR Yamaha

to an easy victory in yesterday's Supersport 600 150-mile race on the Isle of Man. Hearing move

Two for Reid

The disciplinary hearing to investigate allegations that the snooker player. Alex Higgins, threatened the life of a fellow professional, Dennis Taylor, during the World Cup, and also assaulted an official following his first round descat in the Embassy World Championship. has been postponed from June 17 until July 1, in Bristol.

Three in row

Ray Reardon was beaten 5-4 in the first round of the Asian Open at Blackpool yesterday by Gino Rigitano, of Canada. It was the third first-round match in a more than the canadan find loss. in a row that Reardon had lost. off and sitting in front of his

Anglo-French honours even

in the Amateur Championship at Muirfield yesterday ended with honours even, which may set an admirable example in a wider sphere in these troubled

First, Gary Evans beat Chrisrist, Gary Evans teat Chris-topher Poittier by two and one and then Olivier Edmond, the French junior champion, beat Kevin Weeks, a former English champion, by the same margin. Evans and Edmond tied for first place in the English Open first place in the Englan Open stroke-play championship (Brabazon Trophy), which would add a special spice to this afternoon's semi-linals, supposing they were both to advance one stage further.

Weeks was four down with

four to play, won the 15th with a good four and the short 16th with a two, but he could not contrive the further birdie he

needed at the next. Evans turned one up, prin-

By JOHN HENNESSY TWO Anglo-French encounters been wider but for Evans' shortgame short comings.

A four at the 12th put Evans, clearly the better player on the day, two up, but a monster put at the 15th, all of 50 feet, pegged him back once more. He atoned however for earlier lapses, including a failure from one foot at the 11th, with a huge putt himself from 40 feet, at the 16th. Pointier, like Weeks before him,

could not fashion a birdie at the 16th. Craig Cassells. a runner-up last year, survived a cliff-hanger against Gavin Lawrie when he had been five up after only eight holes. Lawrie whittled away Cassells' lead to only one hole by the 14th, but a three putt on the 15th then allowed Cassells to

stand two up with two to play.

Cassells disappointingly lost the long 17th to a five and drove into the rough at the last, which

might have been crucial, but cipally because his opponent Lawrie was still more deeply made a hash of the two long holes. The margin would have

Charrige That. RESULTS: Taird round: A Sandywell (Astbury) bt G Kennedy (US), 8 and 7; F Muntz (Neth) bi A Nicholson (Middles-brough), 4 and 3; E Nistri (it) bt G Miller (Swanston), 8 and 7; J Carvill (Werren-pomi) bt W Bryson (Drumpeller), 6 and 4; G Lawrie (Prestwick St Nicholse) bt J Payne (Sandisands), 1 inole; C Cassells (Nurcar) bt L Write (Wollson Park), 4 and 3; N Walson (Bairngham) bt W Hewlatt (Royal Blackheaft), 2 and 7; G Winter (Sloth-on-Solvey) bt M McGurie (Drayton) Park), 2 holes; F Johnson (Cardiff) bt C Cuthert (Luthress New), 1 hole; C Pottler (Fr) bt J Fanagen (Milthown), 5 and 4; G Evans (Worthing) bt O Cartin (Drayton), 7 and 8; O Edmond (Fr) bt 7 Spence (Sundridge Park), 2 and 1; K Westenholme (Instol and Ciffon) bt A Hill (Bramhall), 5 and 3; G Pooley (Midenham) bt J Bickerton (Droitwich), at 190; M Mecare (Massix) bt Lawrie, 2 hole; Winter bt Walton, 1 hole; Cassells bt Lawrie, 2 hole; Winter bt Walton, 1 hole; Evans bt Pootber, 2 and 1; Erronald bt Westes. 2 and 1 Macare bt Wolstenholme, at 23rd. Stewart takes advantage of

RAY Stewart, of Canada, a battling non-winner in five seasons on the American Tour, left a world-class field in his wake when he carded a round of 65, seven under par, in the first round of the US Western Open Stewart, aged 36, was out with the first group of the day and he took full advantage of the mild,

course. His 65 was only one stroke shy of the course record of the American. Bob Gilder. With half the field either back in the clubhouse or on the course. Stewart held a substantial four-stroke lead over the American, John Huston, and Mark McCumber, while Jose-Maria Olazabal, of Spain,

Sandy Lyle, who has not made a cut in the US since the

AMERICAN FOOTBALL

Mounting trouble for London over mole hills

By RICHARD WETHERELL

THE latest series of matches in While happy with the "result" it the National Division Managers had cost the Bulls and their the National Division Managers Association (NDMA), which saw all the leading sides win, was dominated by the unfortunate events at Copthall Stadium, Barnet, where the London Development of the London

Ravens were due to play the Birmingham Bulls.

Two weeks ago the Ravens had lo switch their home game against Chelmsford Cherokee to Chelmsford because of complaints about the poor quality of the pitch. Hoping to clarify the position, David Webb, the Bulls manager, rang the Ravens 10 days before their game. At that stage the pitch was said to be in a satisfactory condition and the

game was on. Then it was off, then back on, then off, and two days before the fixture was to take place, on again.

But when the Bulls arrived they were told by the referees that because mole holes had been filled in with fine sand the pitch was dangerous and un-playable. The game was awarded to the Bulls by the minimum score possible, 2-0.

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supporters a lot of money to travel to London. Of the games which did take place there were few surprises apart from the relatively low score, 27-0, with which the Northants Storm beat the Bournemouth Bobcats. Given

the porous nature of the Storms' defense and the highscoring feats of the Bobcats, second only to the Storms, a clean sheet was the last thing to be expected.

the last thing to be expected.

The Manchester Spartans, who play their city rivals the Allstars this weekend, kept their unbeaten record with a 28-17 victory over Leeds Congars. Chris Thomas again did sterling work in a losing side with two touchdowns and 170 rushing yards. This took his total for the season to 1,058, the first to rush for more than 1000 yards. for more than 1,000 yards.

After losing to last years finalists in successive weeks, the Cougars face another tough game against Leicester Panthers who have a record of 4-1.

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League drop Swindon to third division

By DENNIS SHAW

SWINDON TOWN were last night demoted from the first division to the third division in an unprecedented punishment by the pleaded guilty to 35 of 36 charges of making illegal payments to players over a four-year period.

The League management committee hopes to meet within 48 hours to discuss the implications of the decision. Who will take Swindon's place in the first division: Sheffield Wednesday, who were due to be relegated, or Sunderland, runners-up in the play-off final? And who will make way for Swindon in the third: Bournemouth, due to be relegated, or Transnere Rovers, beaten in the third division promotion play-off

The League management committee announced the sentence after an eight-hour meeting at Villa Park yesterday. The penalty will stun their manager, Osvaldo Ardiles, who led them into the first division place for the first time with their play-off win over Sunderland at Wembley last week, and who had threatened to resign if the club were demoted before leaving for a break in Argentina.

Swindon were also ordered to pay compensation to six clubs deemed to have been affected by the illegal payments.

The League statement said that the 36 charges, with one excep-tion, involved payments in breach of League regulations to eight players dating back to 1985. The charges also referred to payments to a number of unspecified players at the end of 1989. Nine of the players concerned in the illegal payments are at present with the

The League, showing little mercy, said one effect of the payments was to understate the players' earnings; this, in turn, may have led the League appeals committee to award a depressed figure when assessing compensation to be paid if these players

It stressed that during this period the club gained promotion from the fourth division to the first. As a result, in addition to being relegated by two divisions, they have to pay compensation (yet to be decided) to clubs from whom they bought players: Bristol Rovers for Tim Parkin, Southampton for John Gittens, Mansfield Town for Colin Calderwood, Sheffield United for

Steve Foley, Derby County for Ross McLaren, and Exeter City for Martin Ling.

Now the appeals committee will meet to assess the further compensation Swindon have to pay to these clubs "in the light of the now known facts relating to each player's true remuneration".

Swindon's directors were severely censured and reminded of their responsibilities as directors of a Football League club.

Arising out of the deliberations

yesterday, the management com-mittee will set up a further commission to consider charges against a number of present and former directors, officials and players.

Swindon have also been ordered to pay the full costs of the sion, but they have a right

stunned by the severity of the verdict and could well face the loss of the manager who took them so briefly to the first division. He was visiting his friends in Argentina while the commission went through its deliberations.

The nearest precedents for the decision was more than 20 years when both Peterborough United and Port Vale were demoted by one division for making illegal payments,

The management committee was represented by Sir John Smith, the former Liverpool chairman, Michael St Clair, of York City, and Arthur Sandford, the League's chief executive. Swindon's delegation was Gary

Herbert, the chairman, Colin Hayward, the vice chairman, and Lionel Smart and Nicholas Arkell, the directors, Cecil Green, the president, and an auditor.

Herbert, deeply disturbed at the judgement, said: "I would ask our supporters to remain calm and give the club a short time to consider making an appeal. I'm shattered, devastated. I never thought that this would happen."
Alan McLoughlin, who played a key role in Swindon's success last

season, was distraught when told of the decision in Malta last night, where he is preparing for the World Cup finals with the Republic of Irealand squad. He was told of the news by his girlfriend and at first did mot believe it. "I'm bitterly disappointed," he said.
"All I can do now is concentrate on the World Cup".

McLoughlin, along with Fraser Digby, the goalkeeper, and defender David Kerslake are the most likely players to attract the attention of first division clubs

Before the commission sat, Don Rogers, a member of the Swindon team which beat Arsenal in the League Cup final in 1969, presented a 44,000-signature petition on behalf of supporters in an attempt to safeguard Swindon's first division place.

Swindon's plight follows earlier revelations about betting irregu-larities by Brian Hillier, the former chairman, and Lou Macari, their manager until last year. Hillier and Macari are awaiting

trial on charges of tax evasion. The financial problems behind the scenes at Swindon were initiated by a Sunday newspaper exposure. This led to investigations first by the Football League, then the Inland Revenue and the

England find light in the gloom Question mark

By ALAN LEE CRICKET CORRESPONDENT

land won toss): New Zealand itous three-match one-day se-have scored 171 for five wickets ries in New Zealand. against England.

THERE are days in this game when the kindest thing a captain can do for his team is to lose the toss. This was one

New Zealand, committed to batting first as the Cornhill series opened, found fickle weather conspiring with the England bowlers to make conditions as unfriendly as

It would be stretching a point to praise the England bowling too highly - far too much was short or wide for that — but on a fragmented day, in variable light and on a pitch freshened more than once by squally showers, the odds were stacked in their

How much damage Richard Hadlee might have caused, in these conditions, hardly bears thinking about. England, spared such an ordeal, themselves made encouraging in-roads into New Zealand's prolific batting. In the brightest weather of the day, Martin Crowe showed it was still possible for the quality player to prosper but, shortly before the end of the extra hour, he, too, perished.

In truth, this was a deflating start to the summer's Test cricket. Trent Bridge was the covers from behind the substantially less than half full advertising boards until the and those who were here, huddled against an antumnal wind, could not find it in them and said as much to the Test to create any sort of at-mosphere. The cricket was representatives on hand. suspicious and attritional, as befitted the first sparring between two teams scheduled to see quite enough of each other in the next 18 months, even before yesterday's surprising announcement that England's tour next winter will, after all,

TRENT BRIDGE (New Zea- months by yet another gratu-

The sparring had actually begun some days ago, with the baffling saga of Chris Lewis's fitness tests. To nobody's surprise, he failed the last of them, which at least had the benefit of ensuring that spin would be represented on both

Small's opening over was startlingly poor, Franklin did not need to play at a single ball and the umpire, Dickie Bird, twice cautioned Small for following through on the pitch. From the other end, Malcolm operated well short of full venom, as if discouraged by the sluggish pitch even before the game had

Bird, bespectacled for the first time in a Test match, was soon casting familiarly anxious glances at the darkening sky and on the stroke of noon came the first of four breaks for rain. Wright's concentration was done no favours and, on the resumption, he pushed diffidently at a legside ball from Small and scooped it to

short leg.

The light, in this brief session, was desperate and New Zealand were fortunate to escape further harsh losses. When rain fell again, the pitch had taken quite a dous-

representatives on hand. Within this staccato session Mike Newell appeared as England's substitute fielder remarkable, in as much that he was 20 not out, for Nottinghamshire against Oxford University, overnight. Few, if any, can have been withdrawn be extended beyond four from a first-class match sim-

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Out of reach: Jones clips the ball past Russell, the England wicketkeeper, at Trent Bridge yesterday

ply to carry drinks and different plane. His first ball After an early lunch and another, longer interruption, Jones flicked Small down the

legside and Russell managed to get only a despairing left hand to it. Franklin, meanwhile, had not scored a run since 11.46, 14 overs ago. This stagnant period was enlivened when DeFreitas bowled one of his best and unluckiest spells for England, regularly moving the ball away from the rightedge. The regulations now confusingly stipulated a late tea. Franklin fell in the last

was driven through extra cover for four, rapidly followed by two fours and a six, over mid-wicket, off

Malcolm's second wicket T came from a wide long hop which Jones clubbed to cover. Stewart leaped to clutch the catch. Greatbatch has seldom failed in his Test career, hence an average of 61, but he made only one here before playing inside the line against handers without finding the Hemmings. Priest, on his first appearance, survived a difficult last hour, and one last, disruptive shower. By then, over of the session, bowled off there were few left in the his pads as Malcolm slanted the ball into him. there were few left in the ground to see DeFreitas gain belated reward by heating belated reward by beating

TRENT BRIDGE SCOREBOARD

NEW ZEALAND First Innings

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Crowe elevated the day to a Crowe's defences, A route to spinners' salvation

By JOHN WOODCOCK

AFTER four Test matches in West Indies without a spinner in their side, England yes-terday included one. A good thing, too. And yet, had there not been some doubt about Lewis's fitness, one wonders whether Hemmings would be playing. The spinners' lot in cricket today seems to be directly related to the way the law as it concerns persistent short-pitched bowling is given such depressingly short shrift.

I am beginning to think that limited-overs cricket, relatively modern though it is, now has more in common with the game as it is best played than much of what we call first-class cricket. In West Indies, Hemmings was an important member of England's one-day side. Come

was no place for him. In his last two years with Hampshire, Nigel Cowley, another off spinner, played in only five championship matches but seldom missed a one-day game. Sussex include two leg spinners in their Sunday league side, but only one, if that, in the championship.

The reason is, of course,

that the merchants of fear,

they who break fingers and dent helmets, are obliged by the regulations to bowl a fuller length in one-day cricket. If short-pitched fast bowling, whether used defensively or to intimidate, should be allowed to creep into the one-day game - and evidently there were signs of this happening in the one-day international at the Oval - here, too, the spinner would very soon become

The way to get him back, and of making sure that England never again go through a series without one, is not, to my mind, through longer matches but by introducing a version of the oneday regulation which strictly limits the use of short-pitched, intimidatory bowling into the first-class game. The modern player and aspiring umpires may be too young to know it, and the West Indians might not approve, but it would make a much better game — and West Indies would still excel because they are so naturally gifted.

Because of the atmosphere and the movement there was in the pitch, the quicker bowlers were well suited yes-terday to doing the work. DeFreitas will never be unluckier than he was during the the hat outside the off stump off a full length, be it noted -England could thank their lucky stars that they themselves were not batting against

Watching the "new" Mal-colm for the first time I got the impression that he was hold-ing himself in. He ran a very long way at much the same pace, a good example of someone who would have been just as effective if a bowler's run-up were re-stricted to, say, 25 yards. I know how fast he can bowl, but he beat no one by sheer speed. That much we could tell from the new William Clarke stand. But don't blame us if there are times when we get our lines wrong. No one would choose to report a cricket match from deep mid-

that is hanging over Maradona From DAVID MILLER

AND STUART JONES

DIEGO Maradona, the Argentina captain, looking lean and fit for the start of the World Cup finals in Milan tonight against Cameroon, said last night that the pressures of being at the top for 10 years had not reduced his appetite for football.

Ever since he emerged in the national team aged 18 in 1979, Maradona has persistentily been the target of intimidating tactics from defenders all over the world. Under provocation in 1982 in Spain, he was sent off, but four years later captained Argenting to victory.

"I still take the game very seriously" he said. "I have been trained to be a winner, and I shall live with the pressures for another three or four years. In this World Cup you will see me very

That commitment has led Dr John Crane, the England team physician, to suggest that Maradona could be sacrificing his future health for the sake of the World Cup. The Argentina captain is believed to be receiving a cortisone injection day and additional

depotsteroid, on match days to ease the pain in his dam-aged back. The quantity, in Crane's opinion, could lead to physical deterioration later in life.

"Cortisone is produced naturally in the body by the adrenal gland," he said yes-terday. "Like any substance administered into the body, it suppresses the natural product. I'm reluctant to use it to treat an injury but an acceptable level would be one injection a month. If that is the level Maradona is using he is putting himself at risk."

The football world waits to see whether Maradona can reproduce the scintillating form which was the spearhead of Argentina's performance follow suit,



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four years ago. Since then, he has been involved repeatedly in rifts with the club and allegations that he was unfit. Unsurprisingly, he has had injury problems.

In view of this, it was surprising that yesterday, Carlos Bilardo, Argentina's man-ager, announced a team which suggested that Maradona would be playing in the front line of attack, where he will most be exposed to intimidating tackling, rather than in midfield, where he might have escaped some of the pressure.

In answering questions on his selection and tactics, Bilardo evaded the point and said that Argentina would doses of the drug, have to adapt to all tactical situations. It was the football coach's classic "no comment" response to probing questions.

By this evening, we shall know what are his, and Maradona's plans; indeed, whether Maradona is able to help Argentina mount a serious challenge for the defence of their title.

• ROME: All 12 Italian cities which stage World Cup matches will ban sales of alcohol on match days (Reuter reports). Local authorities in eight cities have already de-cided on bans following a strong recommendation from the Interior Minister, Antonio Gava, to help avert violence and Rome, Genoa, Naples and Udine are expected to

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Tour cyclist Kimmage admits taking drugs

PAUL Kimmage, the former through injection," he is Irish professional cycling team quoted as writing. Tablet was colleague of Stephen Roche, handy, as it could be carried drugs in the sport.

rent issue of Cycling Weekly. Kimmage went on to take Kimmage has, to use the amphetamines again but the

continental expression, "spat in the soup" or broken the law of silence within the peloton. amine while riding between two and 21/2 hours before the

expected finish of a race. It could be taken in tablet or

has emerged as one of the first and taken discreetly; but riders to write about the use of because it had to pass through the stomach, the effects were In a book called A Rough slower and not as good. Injec-Ride, published yesterday by tion straight into the muscle Stanley Paul (£12.95), gave almost instant reaction Kimmage admits that, after and was much stronger, but it setting his face against taking was awkward as this meant drugs, he finally succumbed.

Now, according to the current issue of Cycling Weekly,

Kimmage went on to take

guilt never left bim. The arguments for and against would always rage in his head. He claims that riders inject themselves with amphet year's Tour de France. Kimmage quit the sport for

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Backley betters Raty, but falls short of record

It was emphasised to the first-timers

that, with Britain's talents such as

they are, fixure senior vests would

ATHLETICS CORRESPONDENT

STEVE Backley, Britain's World Cup javelin winner, defeated the world champion, Seppo Raty, as Britain beat Finland in an international match in the Olympic stadium here yesterday. However, he was not quite up to the form he showed on Sunday, when he came within 64 centimetres of the world record in the United Kingdom

championships. Backley got the better of Raty with his third-round throw of 84.04 metres, responding to the Finn's

second-round distance of 83.92 metres, which equalled his personal best. Backiey's weekend performance demonstrated that the world record of 89.10m, held by Patrik Boden, of Sweden, is within his range, and it was thought that Raty might push him to it.

80.78 on the last. This was one of those Frank Dick special productions, which make

After his winning third round throw, Backley fouled on the fourth, passed on the fifth, and reached

Vikings out of Sea Scouts. There

were 31 newcomers to the senior ship and, by the time Dick had finished his pep talk, they were left

The 400 metres hurdles was the starting point. Bob Brown, aged 20, from Leeds, showed the way to winning on your senior inter-national debut, recording 51.42sec, and the rest followed.

be hard to come by.

Jason Livingston - or Baby Ben as Linford Christie calls him because of his Ben Johnson features - is growing up fast. He reached the European final in his senior indoor debut in March and won here on his outdoor debut, His 10.63sec was,

some way off his best after his usual bullet-like start let him down.

Three more debut wins quickly followed: Mary Kitson in the 800 metres (2min 04.16sec), Andrew Tulloch in the 110 metres burdles (13.84sec), and Courtney Rumbolt in the 200 metres.

The pep talk worked rather too well in the women's sprints. Bev Kinch, not selected for the 100 metres, ran as a guest, and was the first Briton to finish - in 11.73sec, behind Sisko Hanhijoki (11.70sec). As if that was not galling enough for the selectors, Sally-Anne Short ran

as a guest in the 200 metres and beat the three selected British women, winning in 23.41sec. John Gladwin, hardly a new-

comer, must have felt as though be was. Suffering a back injury in 1987 and in 1988, he has been unable to develop the potential he showed as a 23-year-old when, in 1986, he won the Commonwealth silver medal for 1500m and was among the fastest in the world with 3min 35.26sec. Already this season he has run a mile in 3min 53.6sec, and, although his time yesterday for 1500m, 3min 41.71sec, was ordinary, the win will have done him good.